

Inhomogeneous Random Systems

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Noise-induced phase slips, log-periodic oscillations
and the Gumbel distribution

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If $\omega_1 \simeq \omega_2$:

$$\begin{cases} \psi = \phi_1 - \phi_2 \\ \varphi = \frac{\phi_1 + \phi_2}{2} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{\psi} = -\nu + \varepsilon q(\psi, \varphi) & \nu = \omega_2 - \omega_1 \\ \dot{\varphi} = \omega + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) & \omega = \frac{\omega_1 + \omega_2}{2} \end{cases}$$

For small detuning ν : averaging $\Rightarrow \omega \frac{d\psi}{d\varphi} \simeq -\nu + \varepsilon \bar{q}(\psi)$

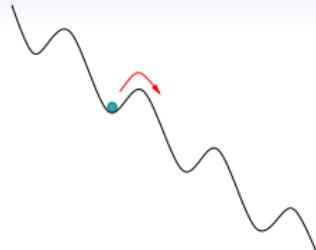
Example: Adler's equation $\bar{q}(\psi) = \sin(\psi)$: Fixed points for $\sin(\psi) = \nu/\varepsilon$

Remark: if $\omega_2/\omega_1 \simeq m/n$ similar behaviour for $\psi = n\phi_1 - m\phi_2$ (Arnold tongues)

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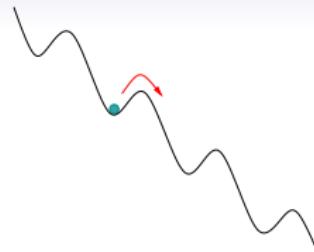
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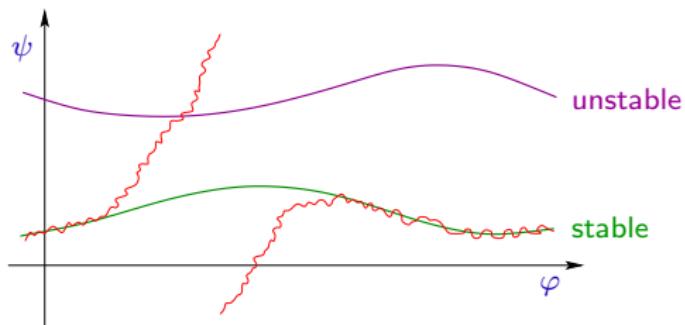
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Original equations with noise

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\psi} = -\nu + \varepsilon q(\psi, \varphi) + \text{noise} \\ \dot{\varphi} = \omega + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) + \text{noise} \end{cases}$$



Question: distribution of phases φ when crossing unstable orbit?

This is a **stochastic exit problem**.

Stochastic differential equations

$$dx_t = f(x_t) dt + \sigma g(x_t) dW_t \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

▷ Transition probability density: $p_t(x, y)$

▷ Markov semigroup T_t : for $\varphi \in L^\infty$,

$$(T_t \varphi)(x) = \mathbb{E}^x[\varphi(x_t)] = \int p_t(x, y) \varphi(y) dy$$

Generator: $L\varphi = \frac{d}{dt} T_t \varphi|_{t=0}$

$$(L\varphi)(x) = \sum_i f_i(x) \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \sum_{i,j} (gg^T)_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$$

▷ Adjoint semigroup: for $\mu \in L^1$,

$$(\mu T_t)(y) = \mathbb{P}^\mu\{x_t = dy\} = \int \mu(x) p_t(x, y) dx$$

with generator L^*

▷ Kolmogorov equations: $\frac{d}{dt} p_t(x, y) = L_x p_t(x, y)$

$$\frac{d}{dt} p_t(x, y) = L_y^* p_t(x, y) \quad (\text{Fokker-Planck})$$

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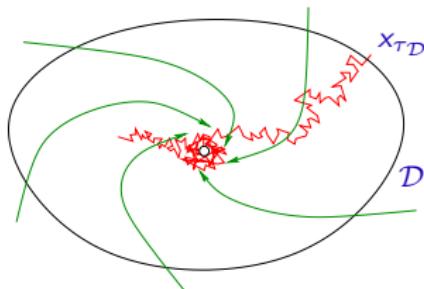
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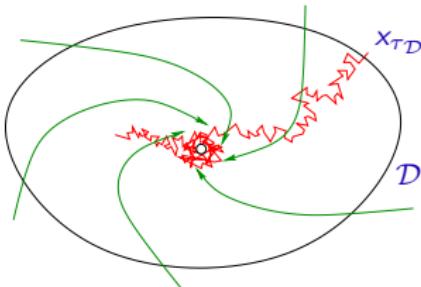
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Facts (following from Dynkin's formula):

▷ $u(x) = \mathbb{E}^x[\tau_{\mathcal{D}}]$ satisfies
$$\begin{cases} Lu(x) = -1 & x \in \mathcal{D} \\ u(x) = 0 & x \in \partial\mathcal{D} \end{cases}$$

▷ For $\varphi \in L^\infty(\partial\mathcal{D}, \mathbb{R})$, $h(x) = \mathbb{E}^x[\varphi(x_{\tau_{\mathcal{D}}})]$ satisfies

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Consider domain \mathcal{D} contained in basin of attraction of attractor \mathcal{A}

Quasipotential: $V(y) = \inf\{I(\gamma) : \gamma : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow y \in \partial\mathcal{D} \text{ in arbitrary time}\}$

- ▷ $\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \sigma^2 \log \mathbb{E}[\tau_{\mathcal{D}}] = \bar{V} = \inf_{y \in \partial\mathcal{D}} V(y)$ [Wentzell, Freidlin '69]
- ▷ If inf reached at a single point $y^* \in \mathcal{D}$ then $\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P}\{\|x_{\tau_{\mathcal{D}}} - y^*\| > \delta\} = 0 \quad \forall \delta > 0$ [Wentzell, Freidlin '69]
- ▷ Exponential distr of $\tau_{\mathcal{D}}$: $\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P}\{\tau_{\mathcal{D}} > s\mathbb{E}[\tau_{\mathcal{D}}]\} = e^{-s}$ [Day '83]

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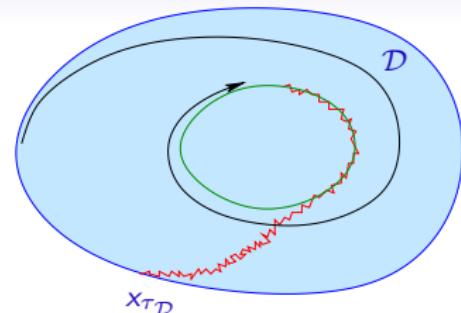
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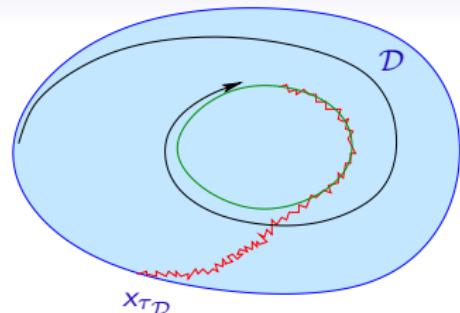
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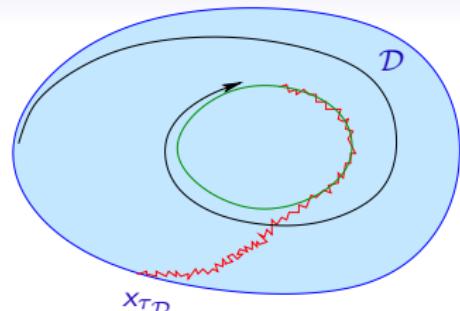
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Problem: V is constant on $\partial\mathcal{D}$!

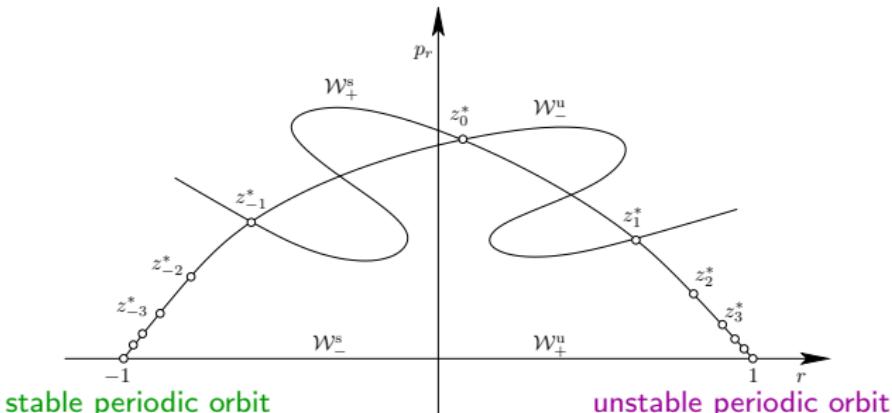
Most probable exit paths

In polar-type coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} d\varphi_t &= f_\varphi(\varphi_t, r_t) dt + \sigma g_\varphi(\varphi_t, r_t) dW_t & \varphi \in \mathbb{R} / 2\pi\mathbb{Z} \\ dr_t &= f_r(\varphi_t, r_t) dt + \sigma g_r(\varphi_t, r_t) dW_t & r \in [-1, 1] \end{aligned}$$

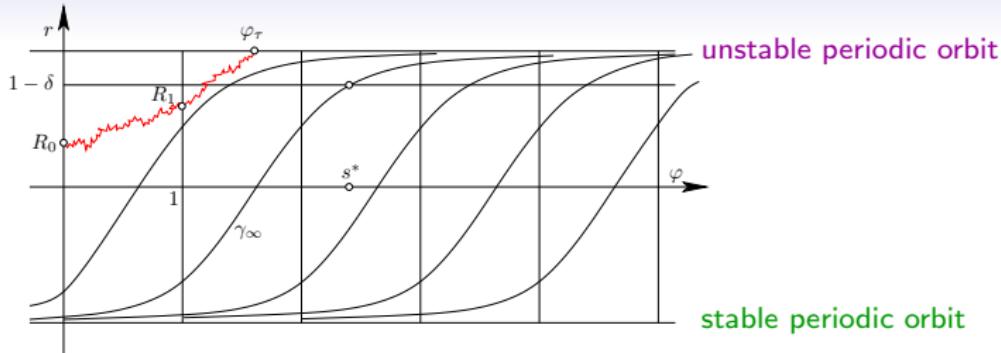
Minimisers of \mathcal{I} obey Hamilton equations with Hamiltonian

$$H(\gamma, \psi) = \frac{1}{2}\psi^T D(\gamma)\psi + f(\gamma)^T\psi \quad \text{where } \psi = D(\gamma)^{-1}(\dot{\gamma} - f(\gamma))$$



Generically optimal path γ_∞ (for infinite time) is isolated

Random Poincaré maps

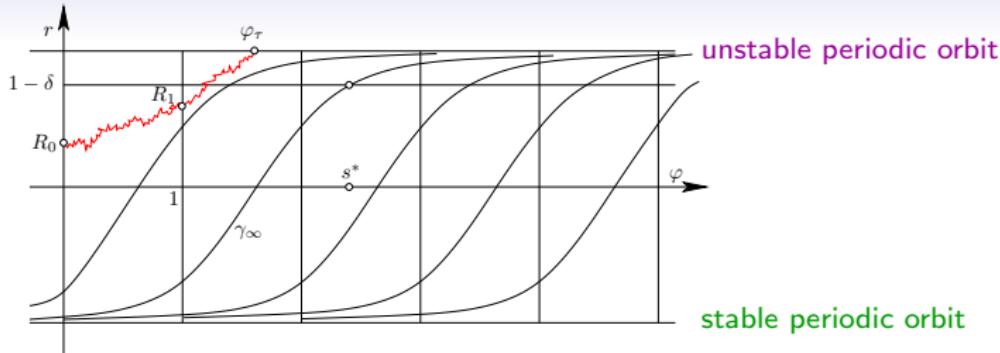


- ▷ R_0, R_1, \dots, R_N form substochastic Markov chain (killed in $r = 1$)
- ▷ Under hypoellipticity cond, transition kernel has smooth density k
[Ben Arous, Kusuoka, Stroock '84]

$$\mathbb{P}^{R_0}\{R_1 \in B\} = K(R_0, B) := \int_B k(R_0, y) dy$$

- ▷ Fredholm theory: spectral decomp $k(x, y) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \lambda_k h_k(x) h_k^*(y)$
 $\lambda_0 \in [0, 1]$: principal eigenvalue [Perron, Frobenius, Jentzsch, Krein–Rutman]
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}\{R_n \in dx | N > n\} = \frac{h_0^*(x)}{\int h_0^*} = \pi_0(x)$$
 quasistationary distr (QSD)

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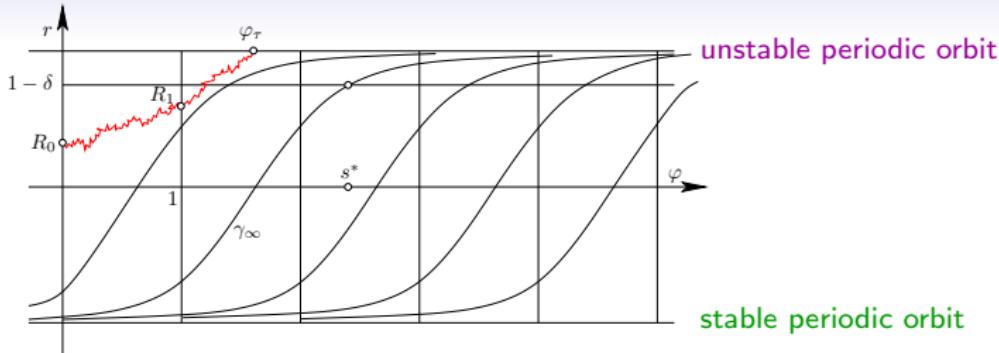


Consequences of spectral decomp $k(x, y) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \lambda_k h_k(x) h_k^*(y)$
assuming spectral gap $|\lambda_1|/\lambda_0 < 1$:

- ▷ $\mathbb{P}^{R_0}\{R_n \in A\} = \lambda_0^n h_0(R_0) \int_A h_0^*(y) dy [1 + \mathcal{O}((|\lambda_1|/\lambda_0)^n)]$
 - ▷ If $t = n + s$,
- $$\mathbb{P}^{R_0}\{\varphi_\tau \in dt\} = \lambda_0^n h_0(R_0) \int h_0^*(y) \mathbb{P}^y\{\varphi_\tau \in ds\} dy [1 + \mathcal{O}((|\lambda_1|/\lambda_0)^n)]$$

Periodically modulated exponential distribution: $f(t+1) \simeq \lambda_0 f(t)$

Computation of exit distribution



Split into two Markov chains:

- ▷ Chain killed upon r reaching $1 - \delta$ in $\varphi = \varphi_{\tau_-}$

$$\mathbb{P}^0\{\varphi_{\tau_-} \in [\varphi_1, \varphi_1 + \Delta]\} \simeq (\lambda_0^s)^{\varphi_1} e^{-J(\varphi_1)/\sigma^2}$$

- ▷ Chain killed at $r = 1 - 2\delta$ and on unstable orbit $r = 1$

- ◊ Principal eigenvalue: $\lambda_0^u = e^{-2\lambda_+ T_+}(1 + \mathcal{O}(\delta))$

- ◊ λ_+ = Lyapunov exponent, T_+ = period of unstable orbit

- ◊ Using LDP:

$$\mathbb{P}^{\varphi_1}\{\varphi_{\tau} \in [\varphi, \varphi + \Delta]\} \simeq (\lambda_0^u)^{\varphi - \varphi_1} e^{-[I_{\infty} + c(e^{-2\lambda_+ T_+(\varphi - \varphi_1)})]/\sigma^2}$$

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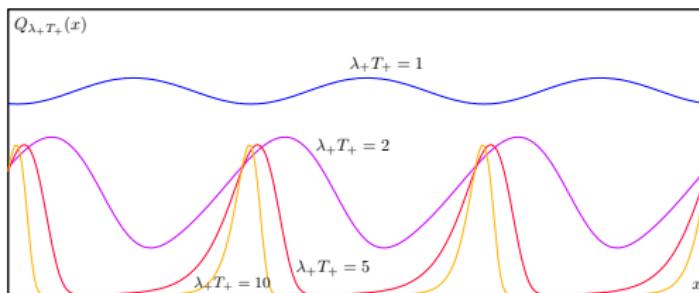
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- ▷ **Cycling**: periodic dependence on $|\log \sigma|$
[Day'90, Maier & Stein '96, Getfert & Reimann '09]

Animations

Influence of noise intensity: [cycling](#)

$$\lambda_+ = 1, T_+ = 4, V = 1$$

$$1 \geq \sigma \geq 0.0001$$

(area under curve not normalized)

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Influence of period

$$\lambda_+ = 1, \sigma = 0.4, V = 1$$

$$0.001T_K \leq T_+ \leq T_K$$

$$T_K \simeq e^{V/\sigma^2} \text{ Kramers' time}$$

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See also <http://www.univ-orleans.fr/mapmo/membres/berglund/simcycling.html>

Why log-periodic oscillations?

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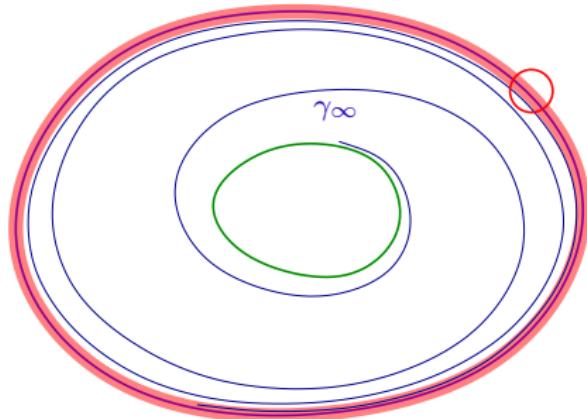
Heuristics :

$\theta(\varphi)$: parametrisation in which effective normal diffusion is constant

$$\text{dist}(\gamma_\infty, \text{unst orbit}) \simeq e^{-\lambda_+ T_+ \theta(\varphi)}$$

Escape when

$$e^{-\lambda_+ T_+ \theta(\varphi)} = \sigma \Rightarrow \theta(\varphi) = \frac{|\log \sigma|}{\lambda_+ T_+}$$



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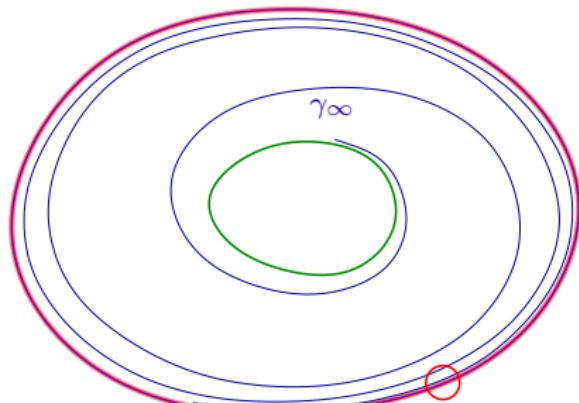
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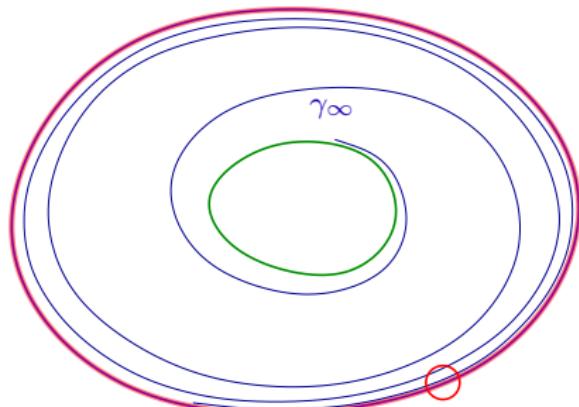
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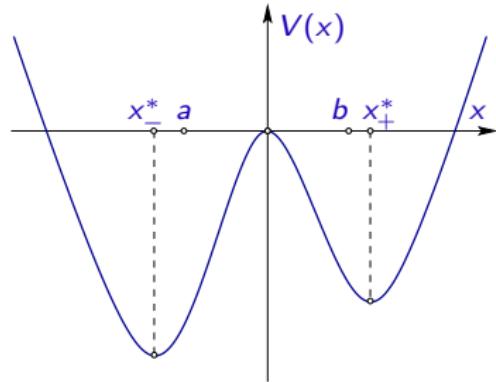
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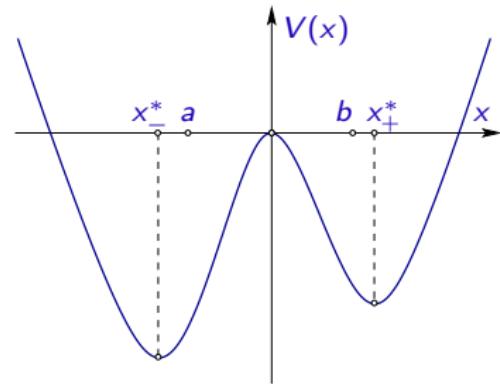
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