

Geometry of phase space transport in dynamical systems

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The tale of a confused comet

- comet Oterma from 1910 to 1980
- Rapid transition: outside to inside Jupiter's orbit; temporarily captured.

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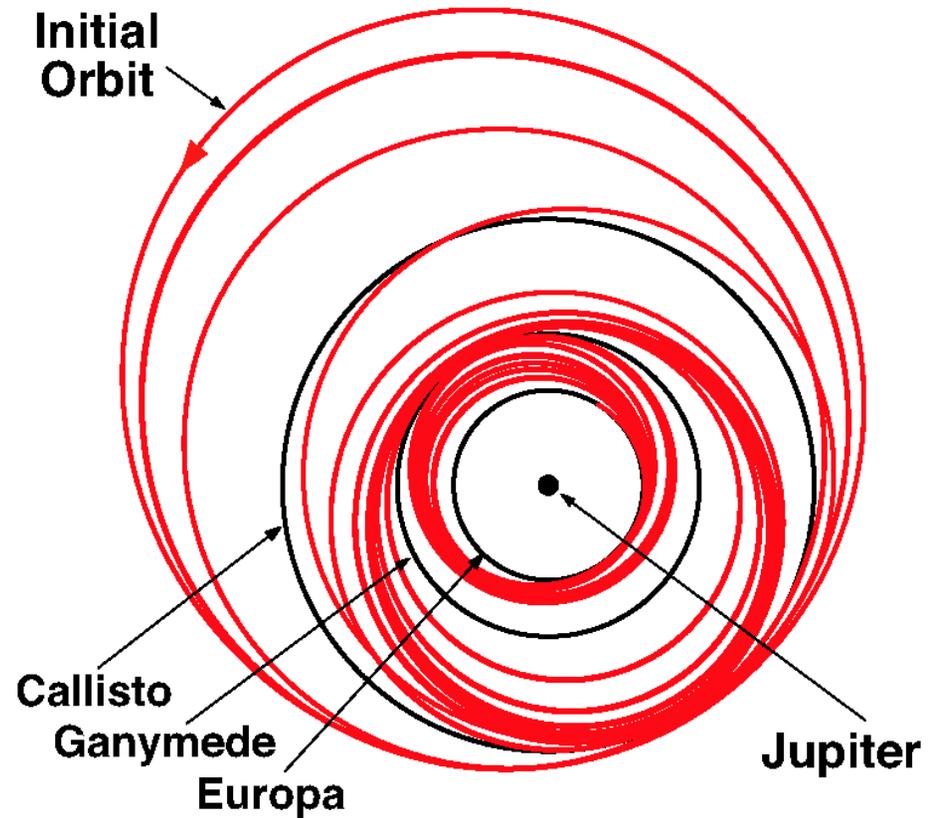
- Oterma's orbit in rotating frame with special nearby orbits (green)

Natural Pathways for Fuel Efficiency

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Orbiting Jupiter's moons



zero fuel trajectory

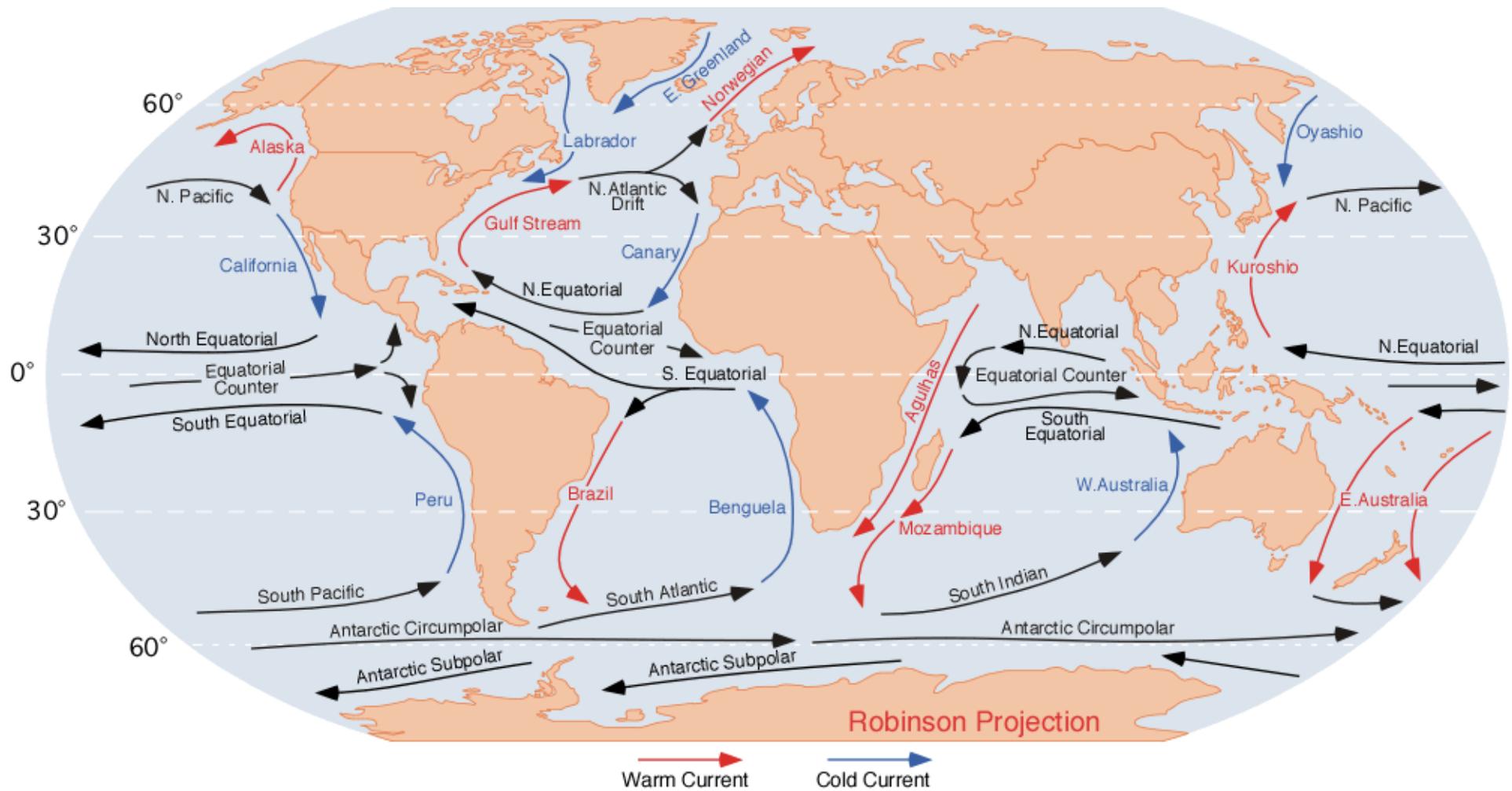
Fuel-efficient tours of Jupiter's moons

Interplanetary transport network



Natural pathways winding through the solar system

Oceanic transport network



Ocean currents: natural pathways on Earth

Atmospheric transport network

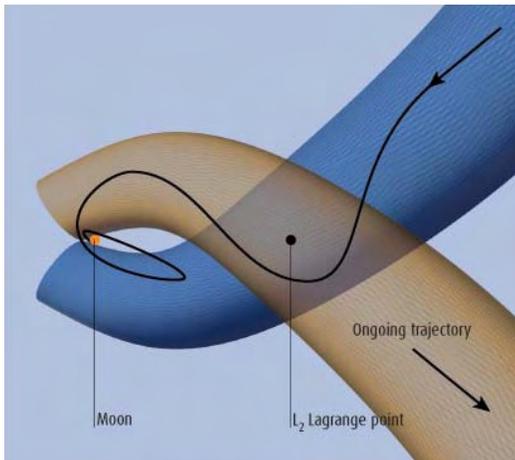
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Transport networks: overview

- Main objective: geometric description of transport
 - insight into phase space mixing and regions of further interest
 - efficient control schemes
- Motivating principle: structures guiding transport
 - especially systems with symmetry, e.g., Hamiltonian
- celestial mechanics example
- geophysical flow example

Interplanetary transport: main ideas

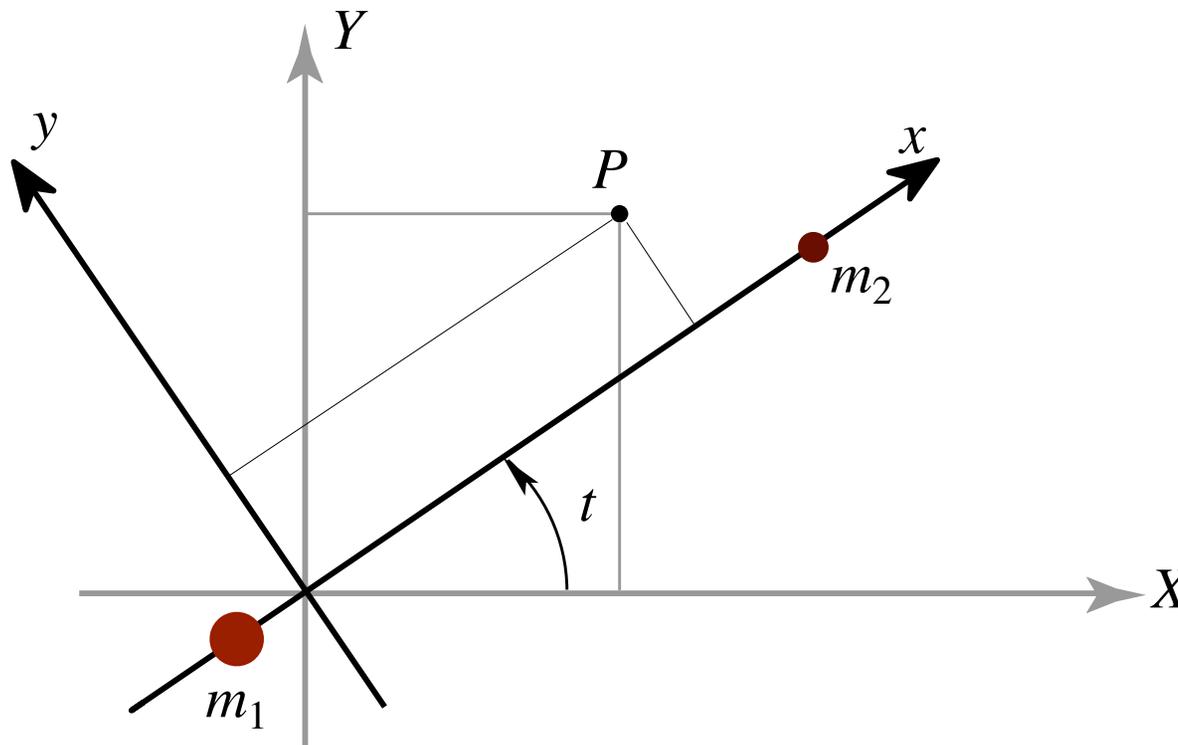
- Break N -body problem into several 3-body problems
- Invariant manifolds of unstable bound orbits act as **separatrices** (codimension 1 surfaces)
- Determine **transport**, e.g., collisions, transitions



3-Body Problem

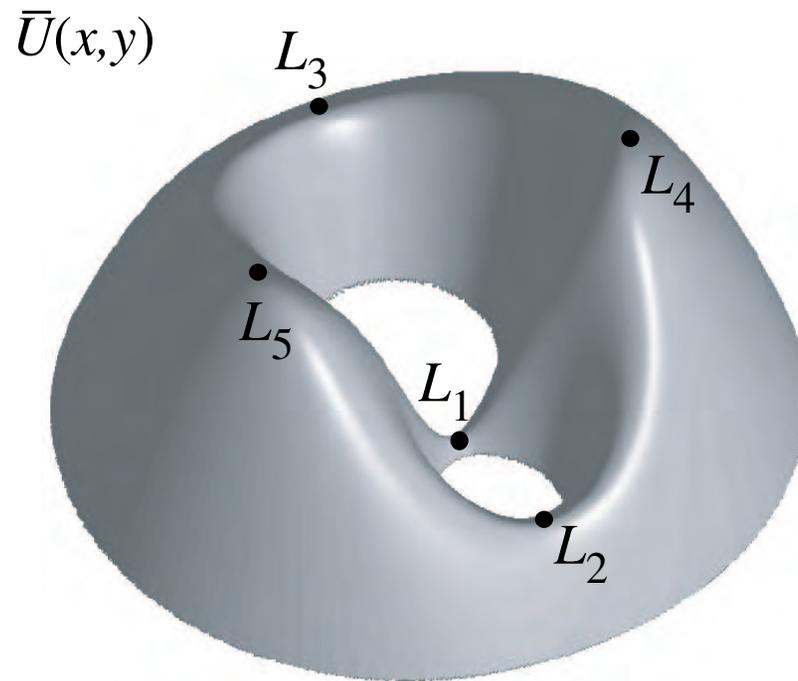
■ *Restricted 3-body approximation*

- P in field of two massive bodies, m_1 and m_2
- x - y frame rotates w.r.t. X - Y inertial frame



3-Body Problem

- Equations of motion in **rotating frame** describe P moving in effective potential plus a coriolis force (goes back to work of Jacobi, Hill, etc)



Effective Potential

Hamiltonian system

- Hamiltonian function (2 d.o.f.) — time-independent

$$H(x, y, p_x, p_y) = \frac{1}{2}((p_x + y)^2 + (p_y - x)^2) + \bar{U}(x, y),$$

where p_x and p_y are the conjugate momenta, and

$$\bar{U}(x, y) = -\frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2) - \frac{1 - \mu}{r_1} - \frac{\mu}{r_2}$$

where r_1 & r_2 are the distances of P from m_1 & m_2 and

$$\mu = \frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \in (0, 0.5]$$

- For systems of interest, $\mu \approx 10^{-6}$ - 10^{-2}

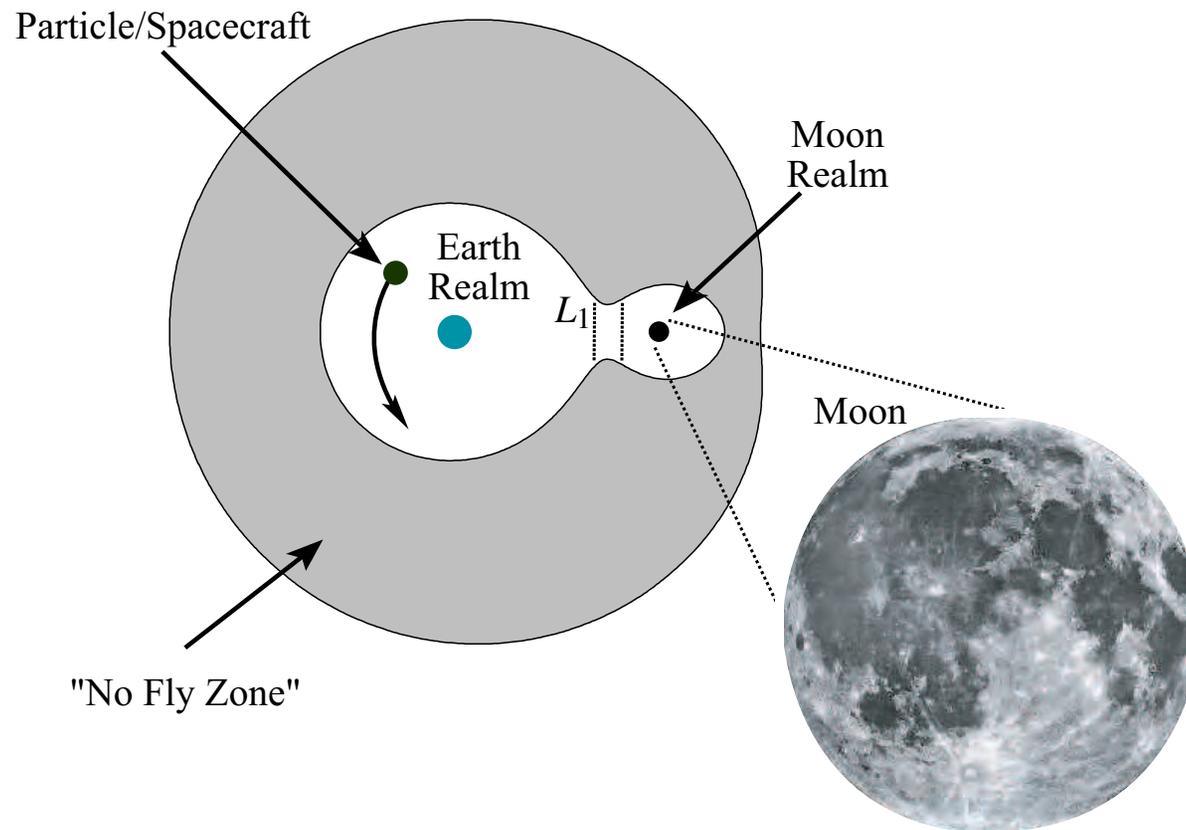
Motion in energy surface

- **Energy surface** of energy E is codim-1 surface

$$\mathcal{M}(E) = \{(q, p) \mid H(q, p) = E\}.$$

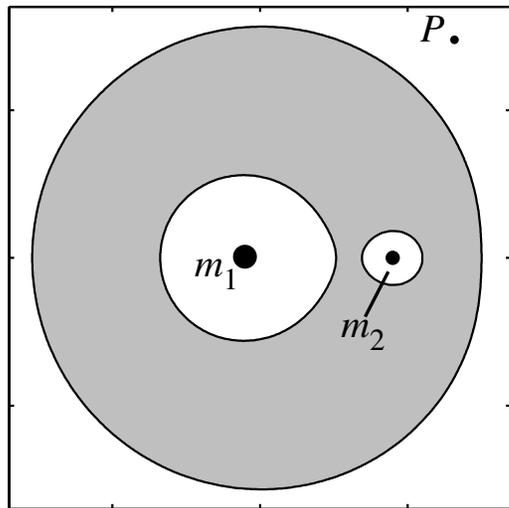
- In 2 d.o.f., 3D surfaces foliating the 4D phase space (in 3 d.o.f., 5D energy surfaces)

Realms of possible motion

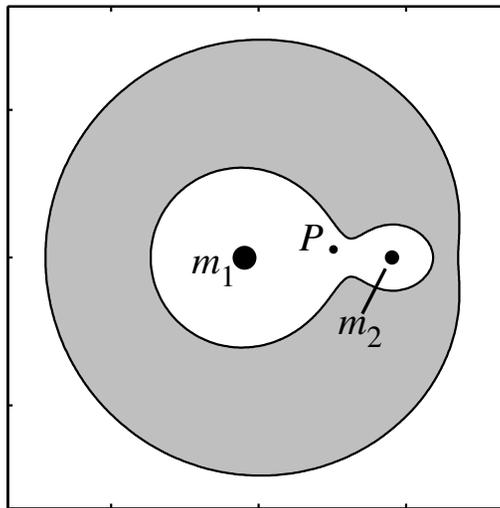


- $\mathcal{M}_\mu(E)$ partitioned into three **realms**
e.g., Earth realm = phase space around Earth
- Energy E determines their connectivity

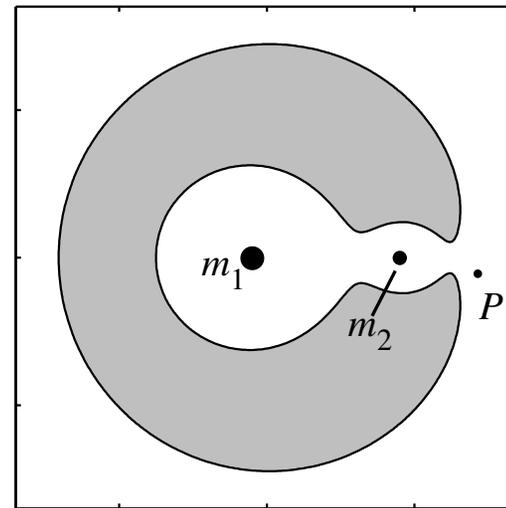
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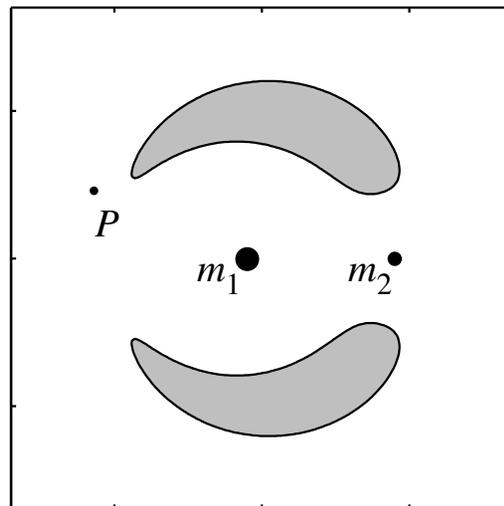
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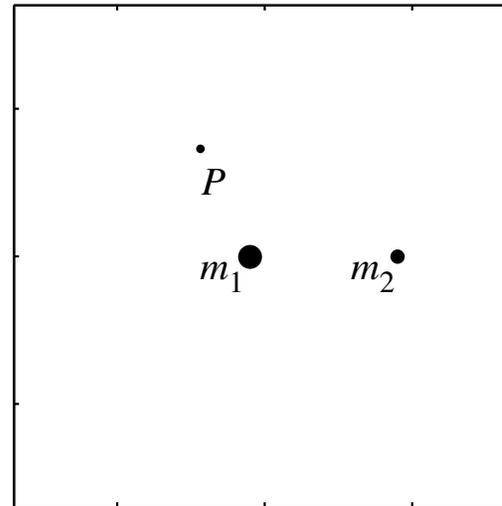
Case 2 : $E_1 < E < E_2$



Case 3 : $E_2 < E < E_3$



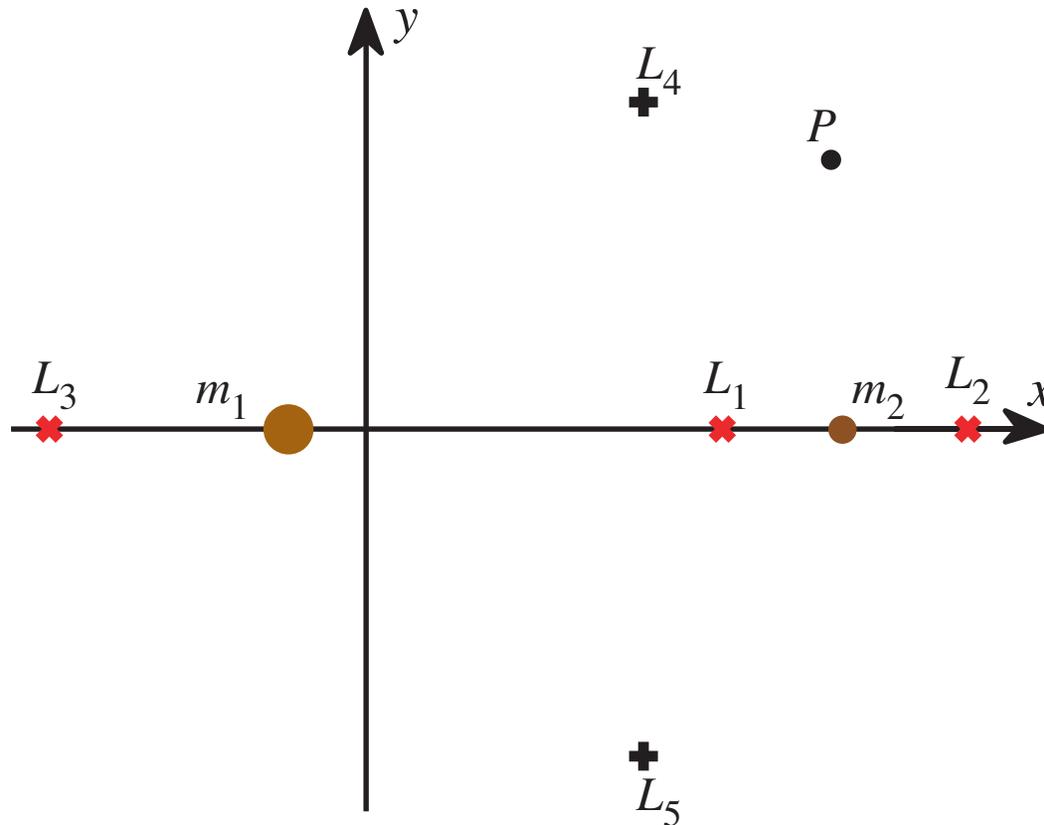
Case 4 : $E_3 < E < E_4$



Case 5 : $E > E_4$

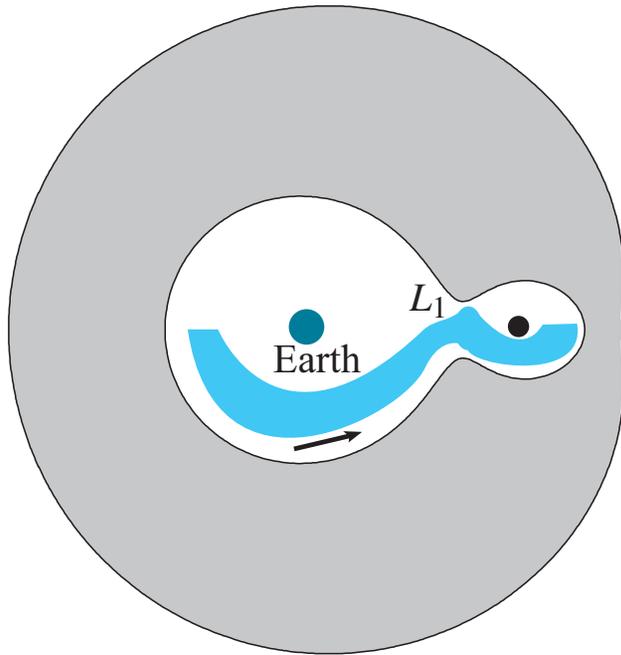
Orbits in neck regions between realms

- Orbits exist around L_1 & L_2 ; periodic & quasi-periodic
 - Unstable bound orbits: Lyapunov, halo and Lissajous orbits
 - their stable/unstable invariant manifolds are tubes, play a key role

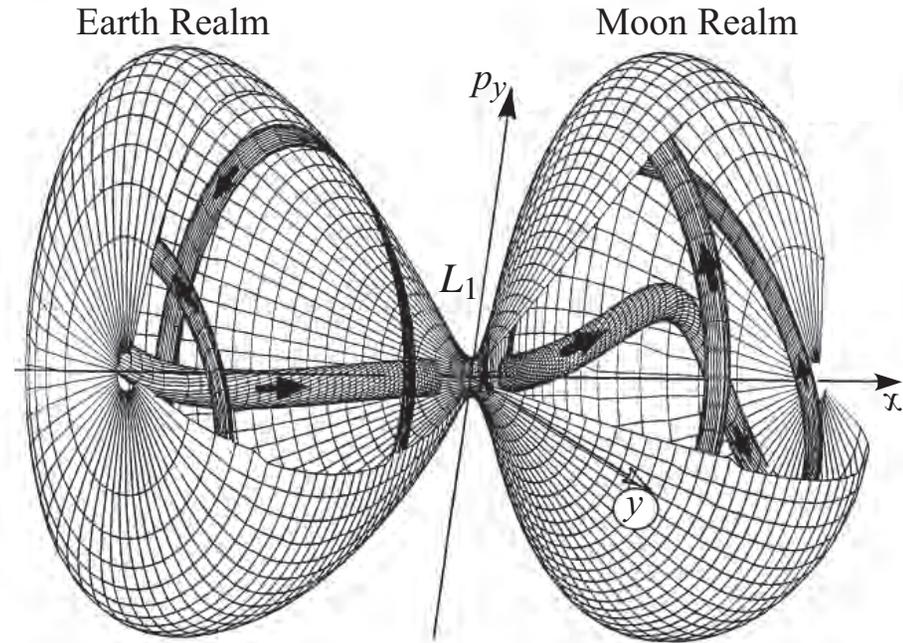


The location of all the equilibria for $\mu = 0.3$

Realms and tubes



Position Space



Phase Space (Position + Velocity)

- Realms connected by **tubes** in phase space $\simeq S^k \times \mathbb{R}$
 - Conley & McGehee, 1960s, found these locally for planar case, speculated on use for **“low energy transfers”**

Motion near saddles

□ Near L_1 or L_2 , linearized vector field has eigenvalues

$$\pm\lambda \text{ and } \pm i\omega_j, \quad j = 2, \dots, N$$

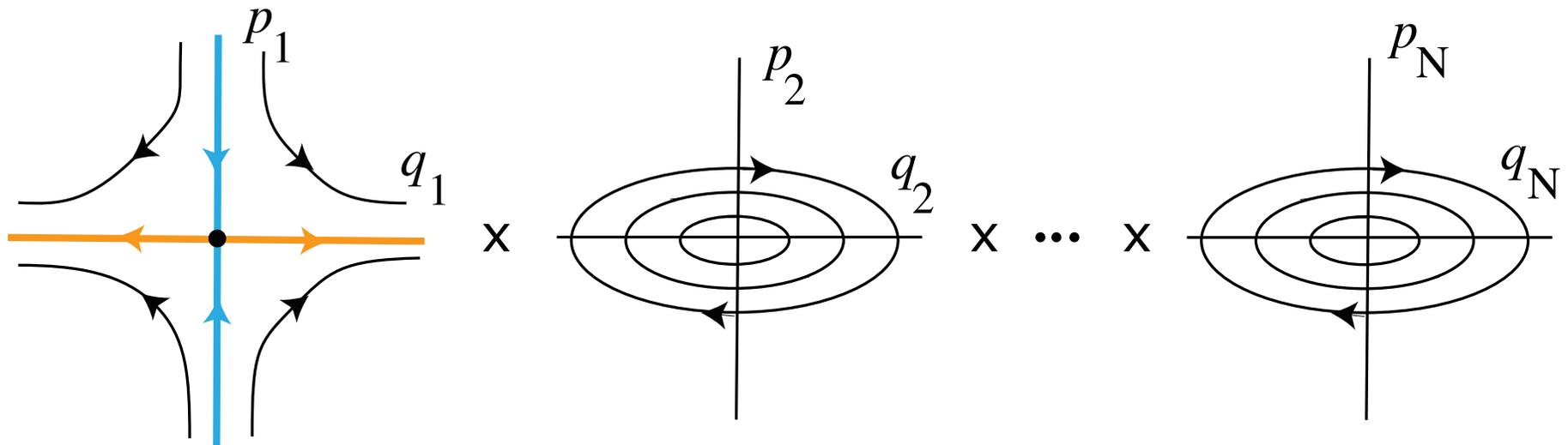
□ Under local change of coordinates

$$H(q, p) = \lambda q_1 p_1 + \sum_{i=2}^N \frac{\omega_i}{2} (p_i^2 + q_i^2)$$

Motion near saddles

- Equilibrium point is of type saddle \times center $\times \dots \times$ center ($N - 1$ centers)

i.e., **rank 1 saddle**

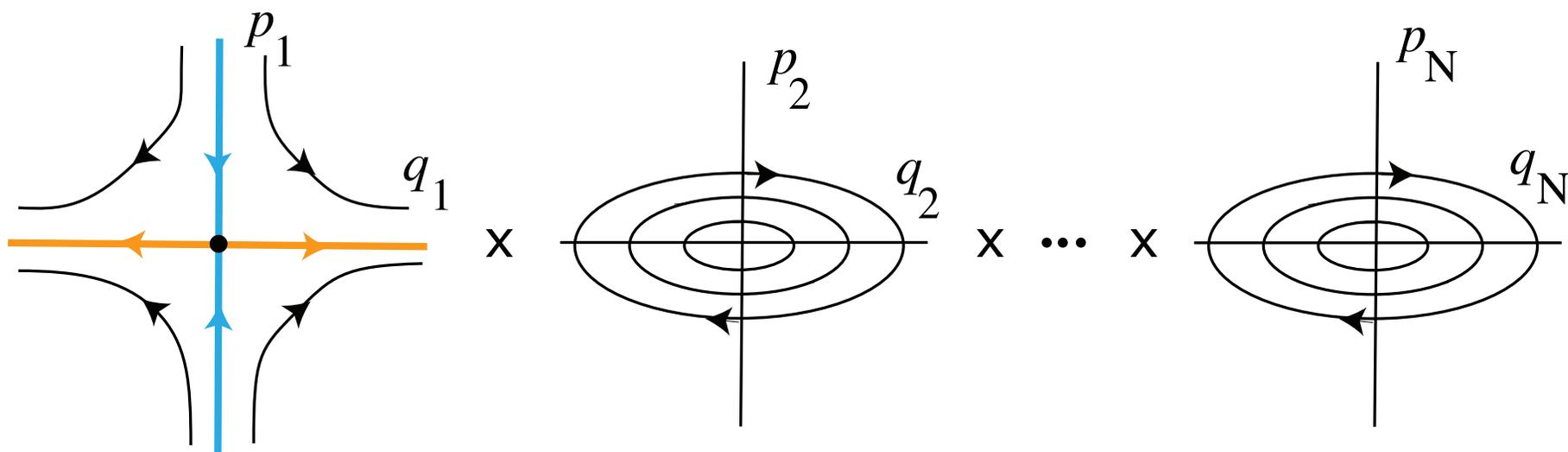


the N canonical planes

Motion near saddles

- For energy h just above saddle pt, $(q_1, p_1) = (0, 0)$ is normally hyperbolic invariant manifold of bound orbits

$$\mathcal{M}_h = \sum_{i=2}^N \frac{\omega_i}{2} (p_i^2 + q_i^2) = h > 0.$$

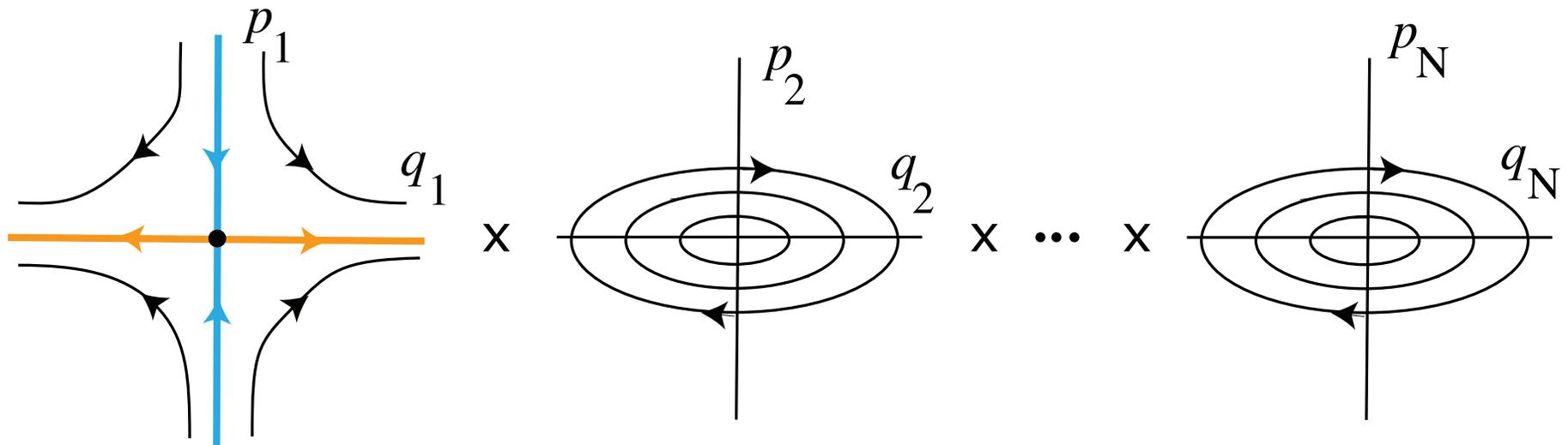


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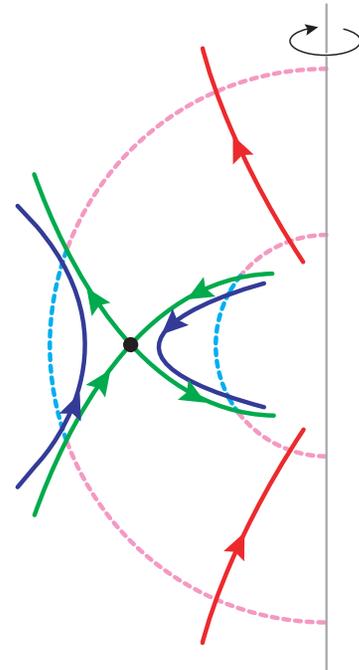
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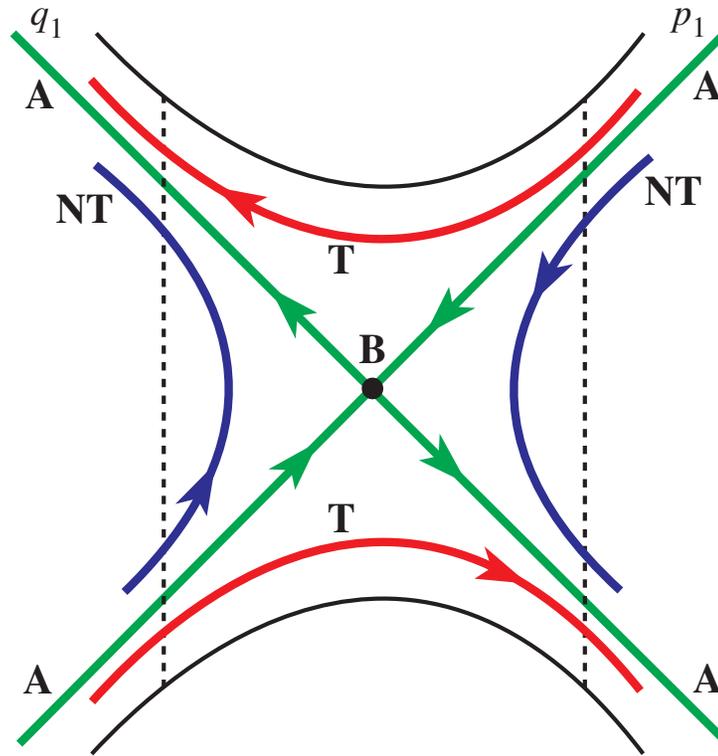
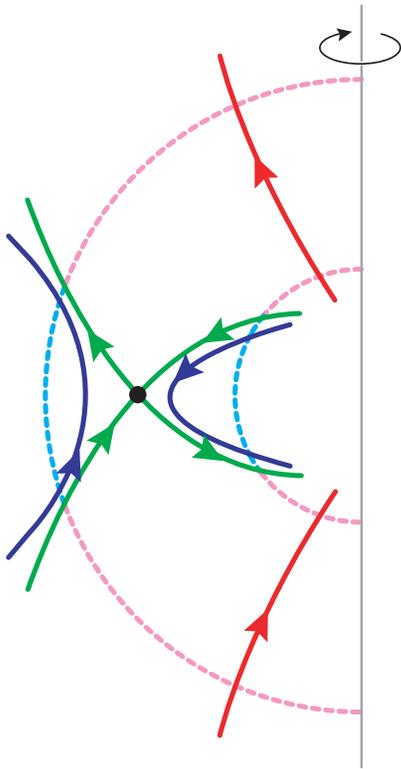
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□ Four “cylinders” or **tubes** of asymptotic orbits: stable, unstable manifolds, $W_{\pm}^s(\mathcal{M}_h), W_{\pm}^u(\mathcal{M}_h), \simeq S^1 \times \mathbb{R}$ for $N = 2$



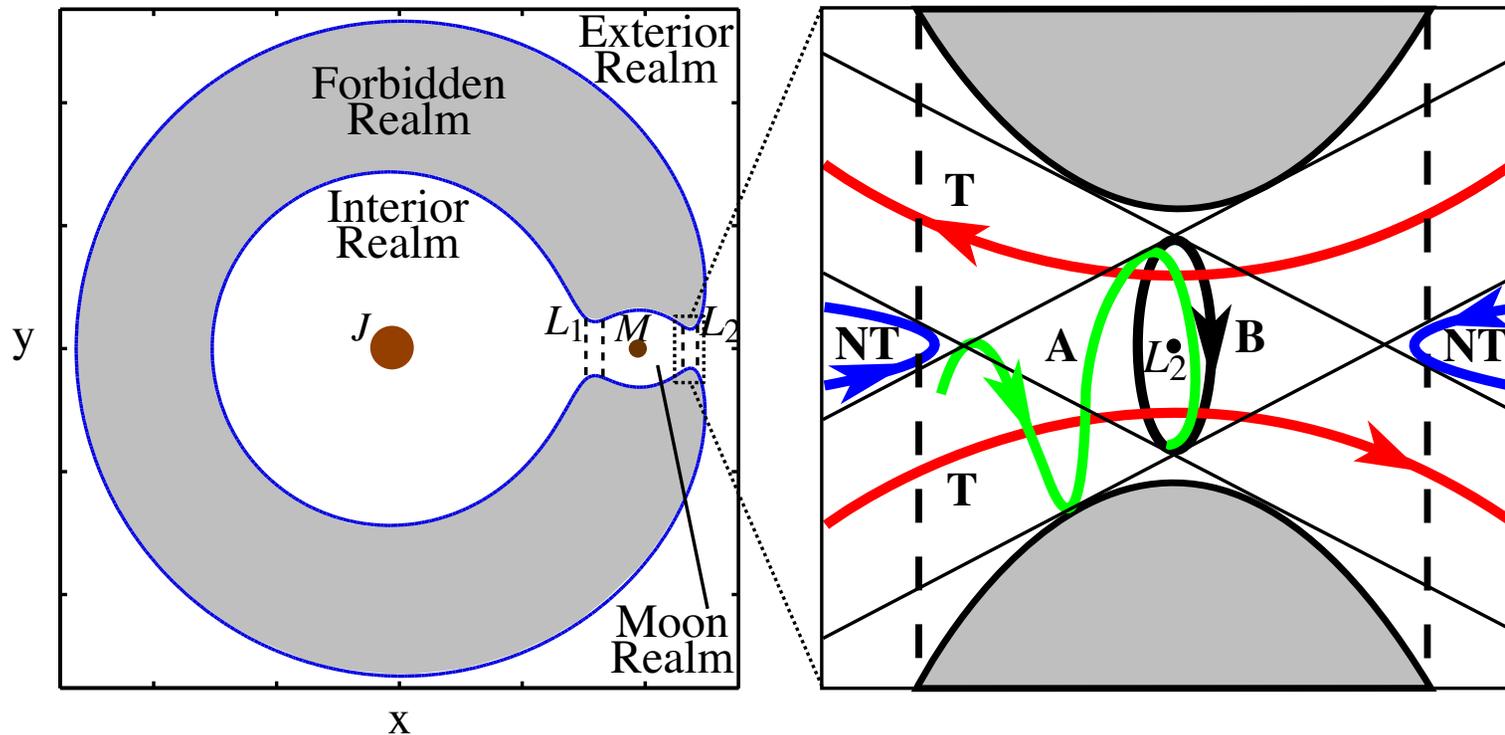
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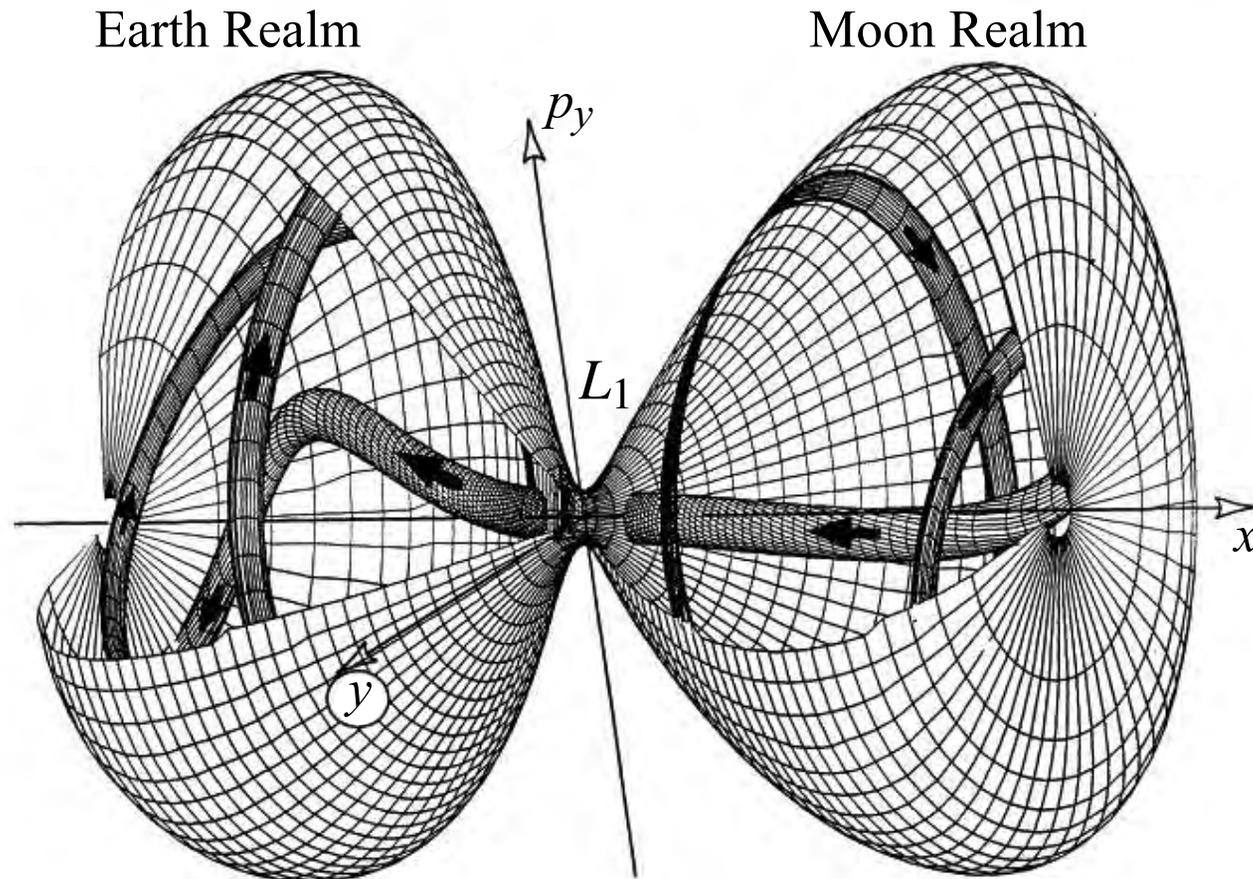
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Projection to configuration space.

Tube dynamics: inter-realm transport



- **Tube dynamics:** All motion between realms connected by necks around saddles must occur through the interior of tubes¹

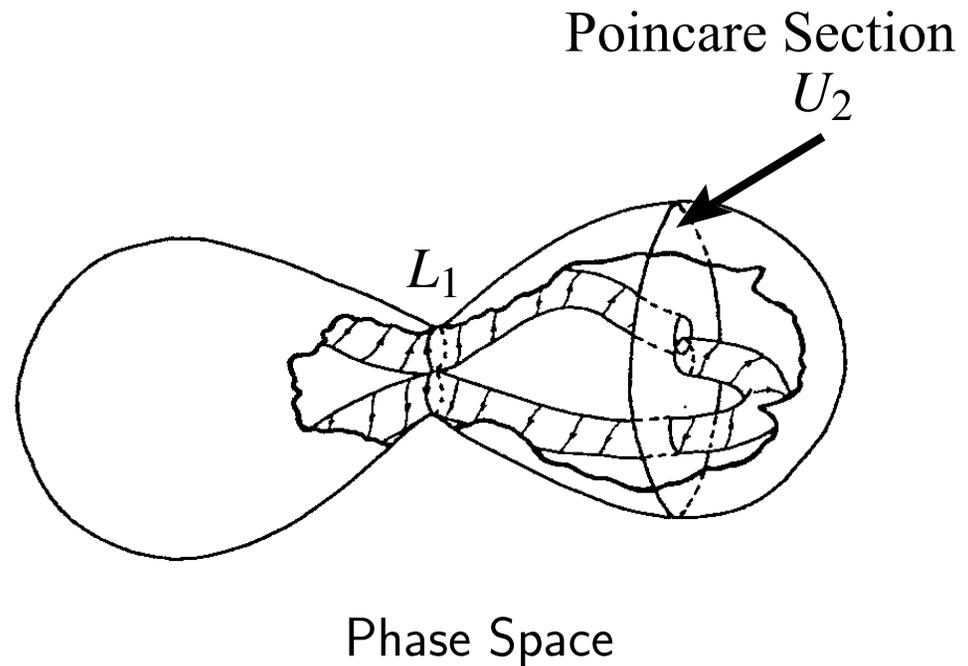
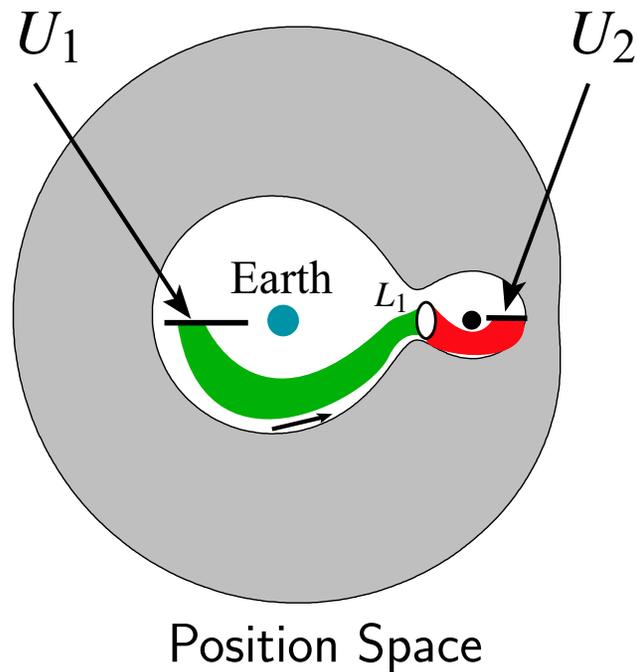
¹Koon, Lo, Marsden, Ross [2000,2001,2002], Gómez, Koon, Lo, Marsden, Masdemont, Ross [2004]

Some remarks on tube dynamics

- Tubes are general; consequence of rank 1 saddle – e.g., ubiquitous in chemistry
- Tubes persist
 - in presence of additional massive body
 - when primary bodies' orbit is eccentric
- Observed in the solar system (e.g., Oterma)
- Even on galactic and atomic scales!

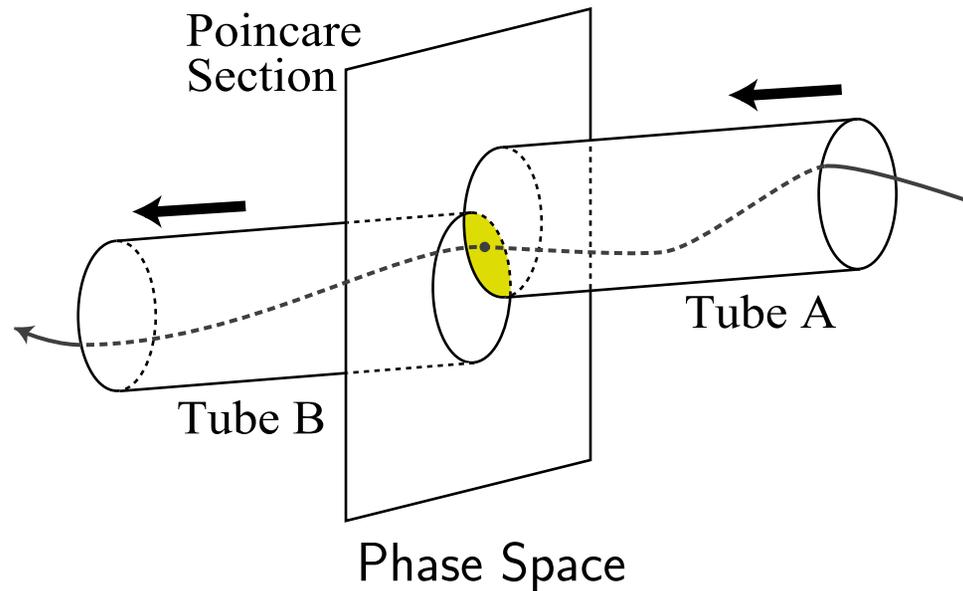
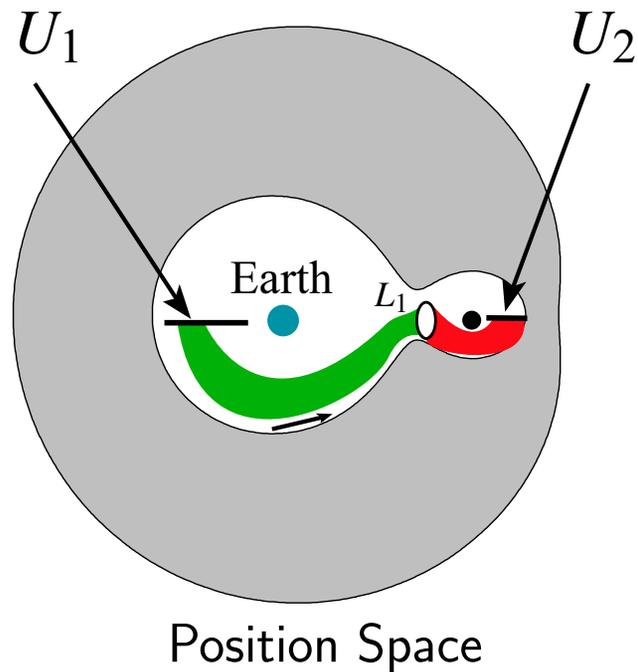
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Tube dynamics



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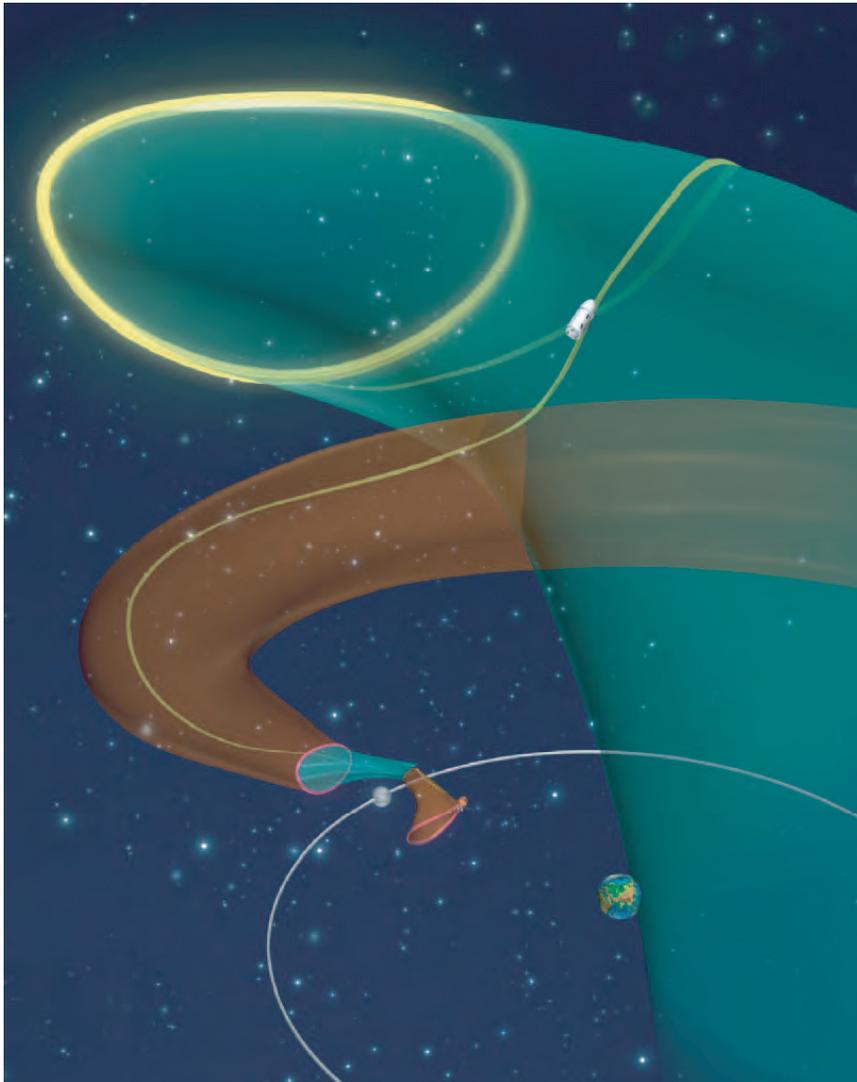
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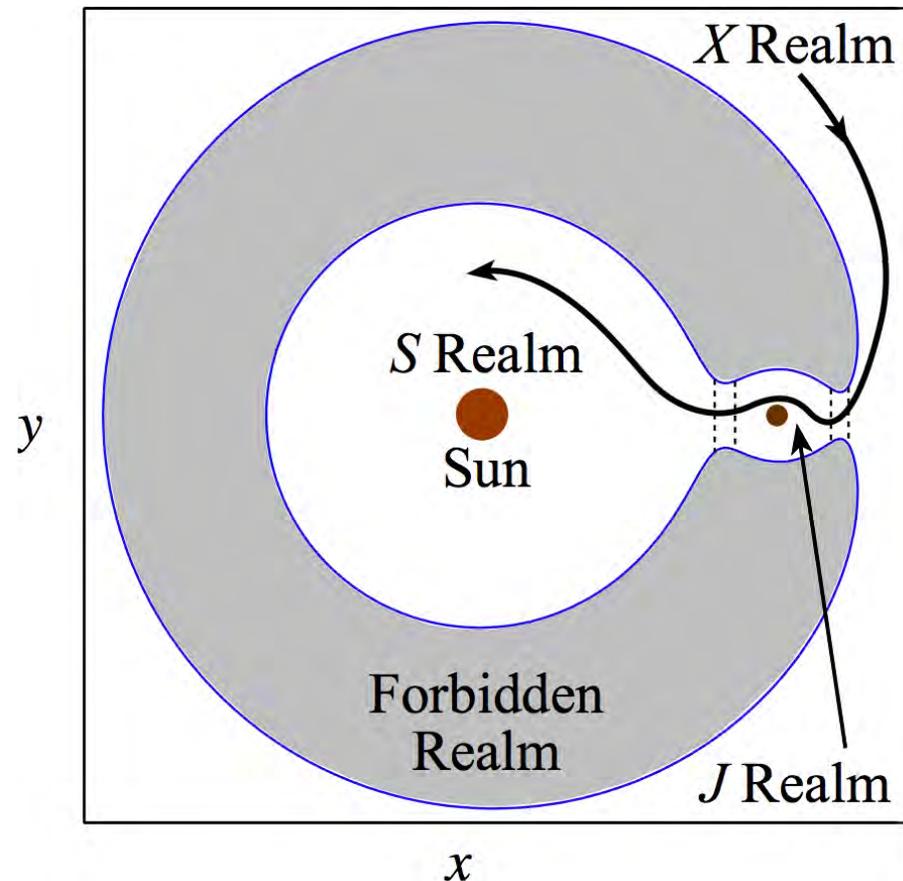
- Regions of common orbits labeled using itineraries
 - by looking at intersections of labeled tubes → **tube hopping**



Itineraries for multiple 3-body systems possible too.

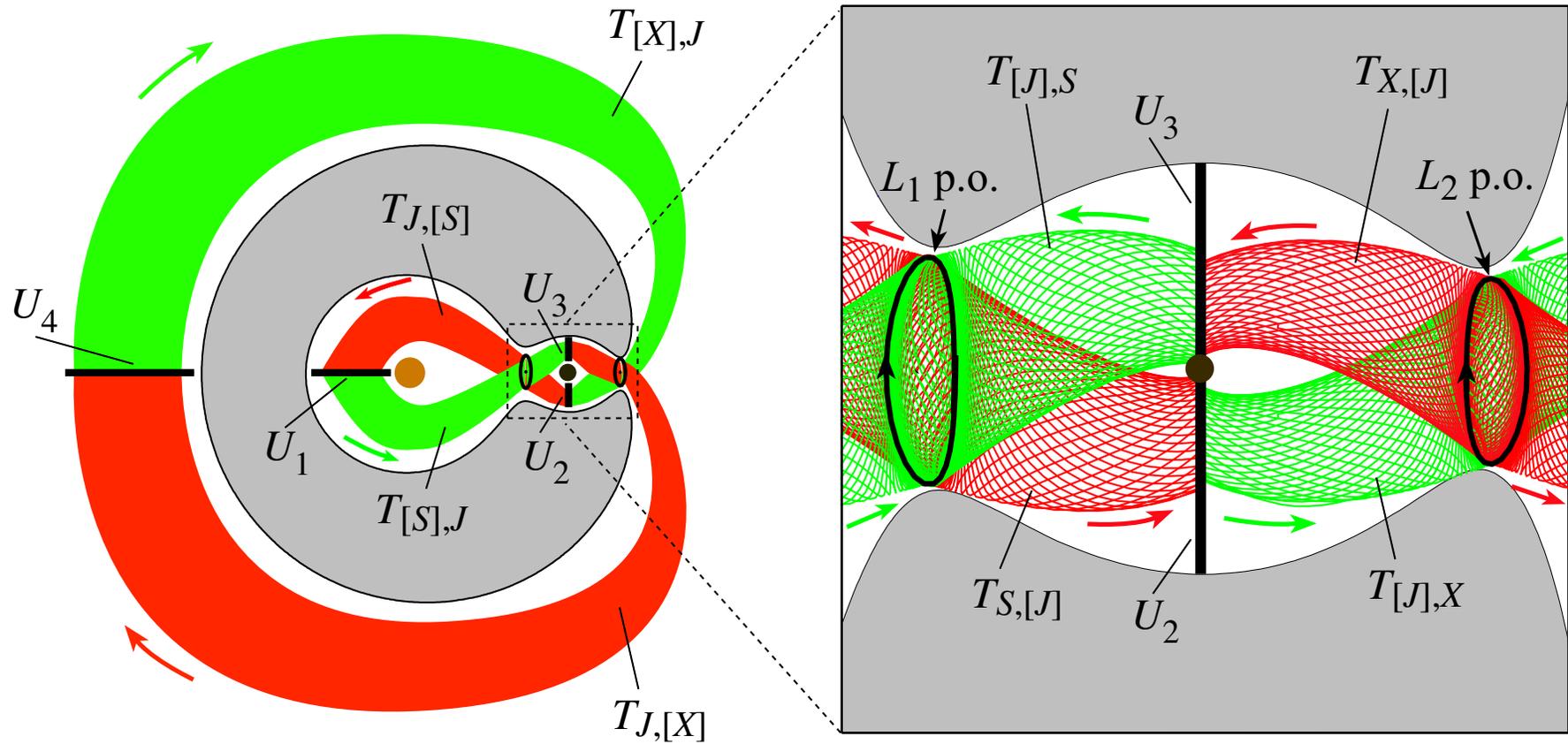
Identifying orbits by itinerary

- *itinerary* (X, J, S) , same as *Oterma*
 - search for an initial condition with this itinerary
 - first in 2 d.o.f., then in 3 d.o.f.

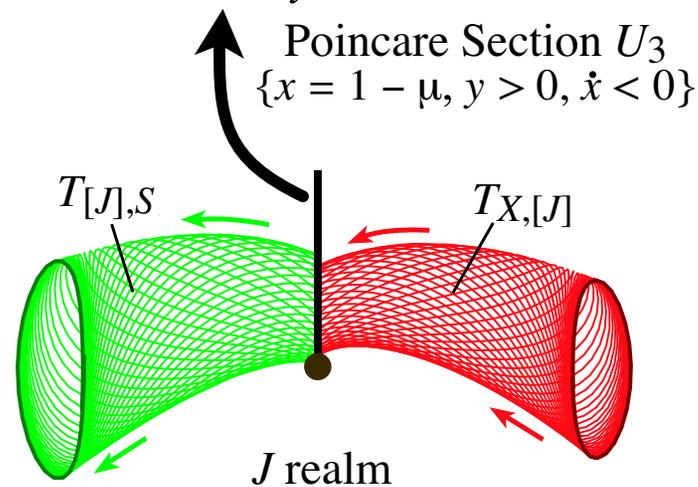
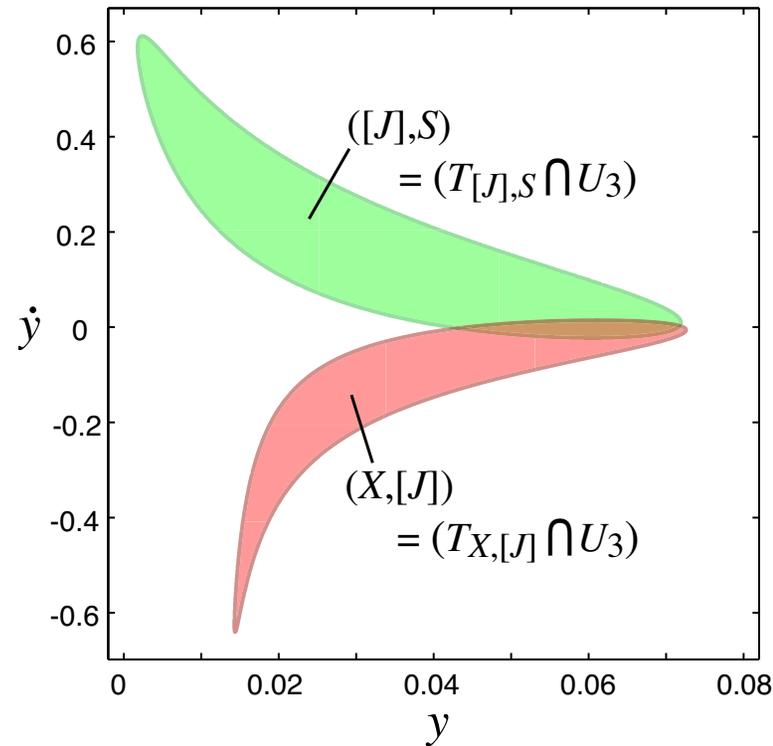


Identifying orbits by itinerary — 2 d.o.f.

- Consider how tubes connect Poincaré sections U_i



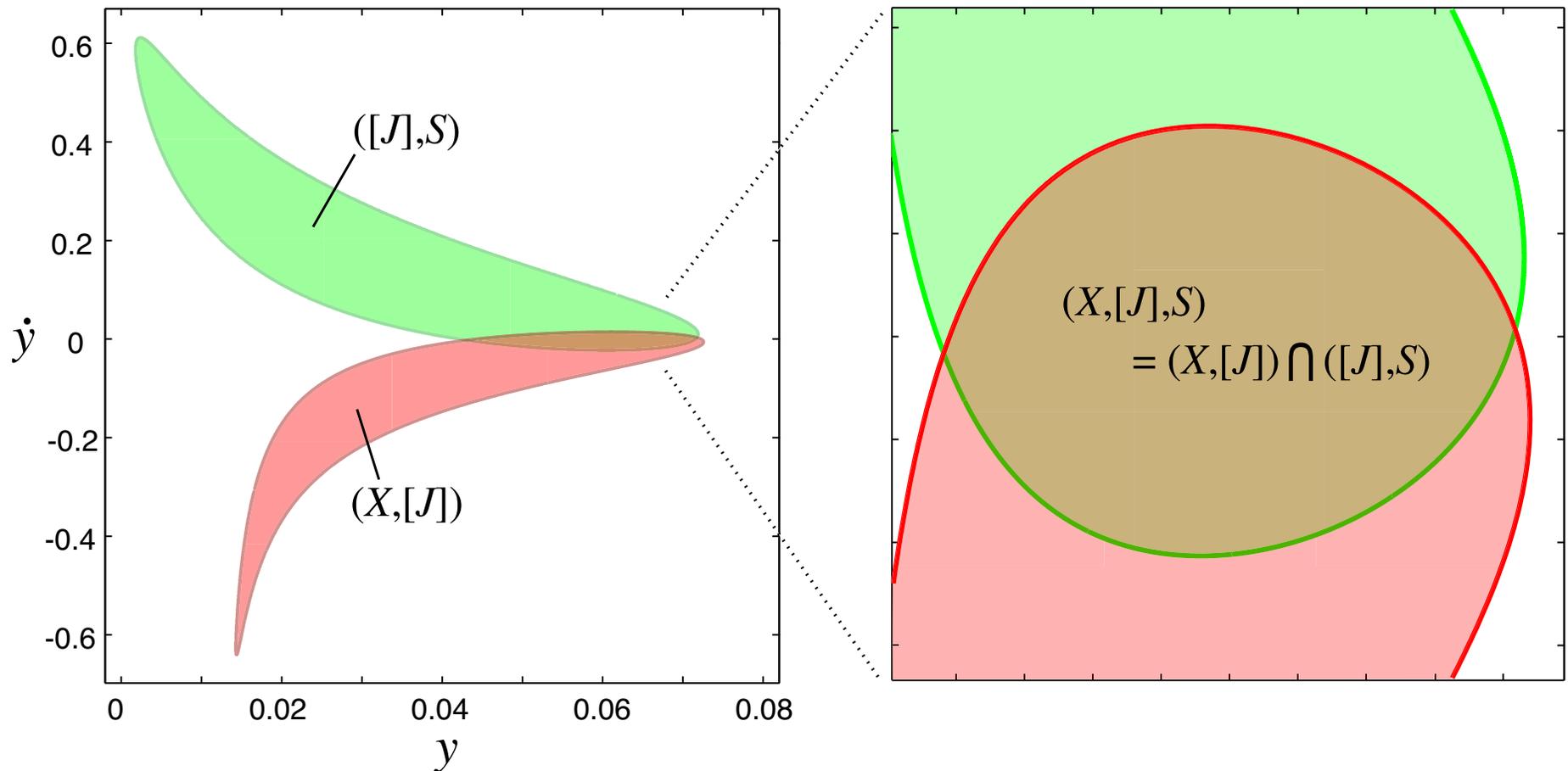
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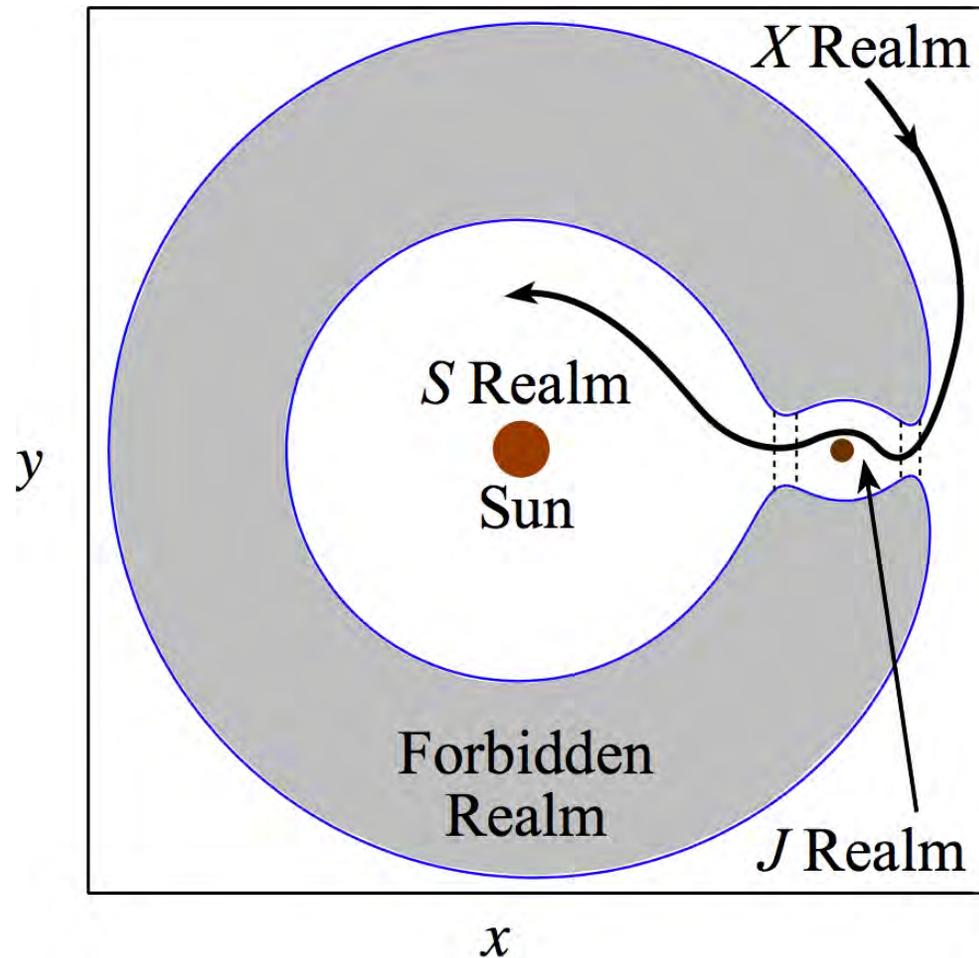
■ *Tile with label $(X, [J], S)$*

□ Denote the intersection $(X, [J]) \cap ([J], S)$ by $(X, [J], S)$

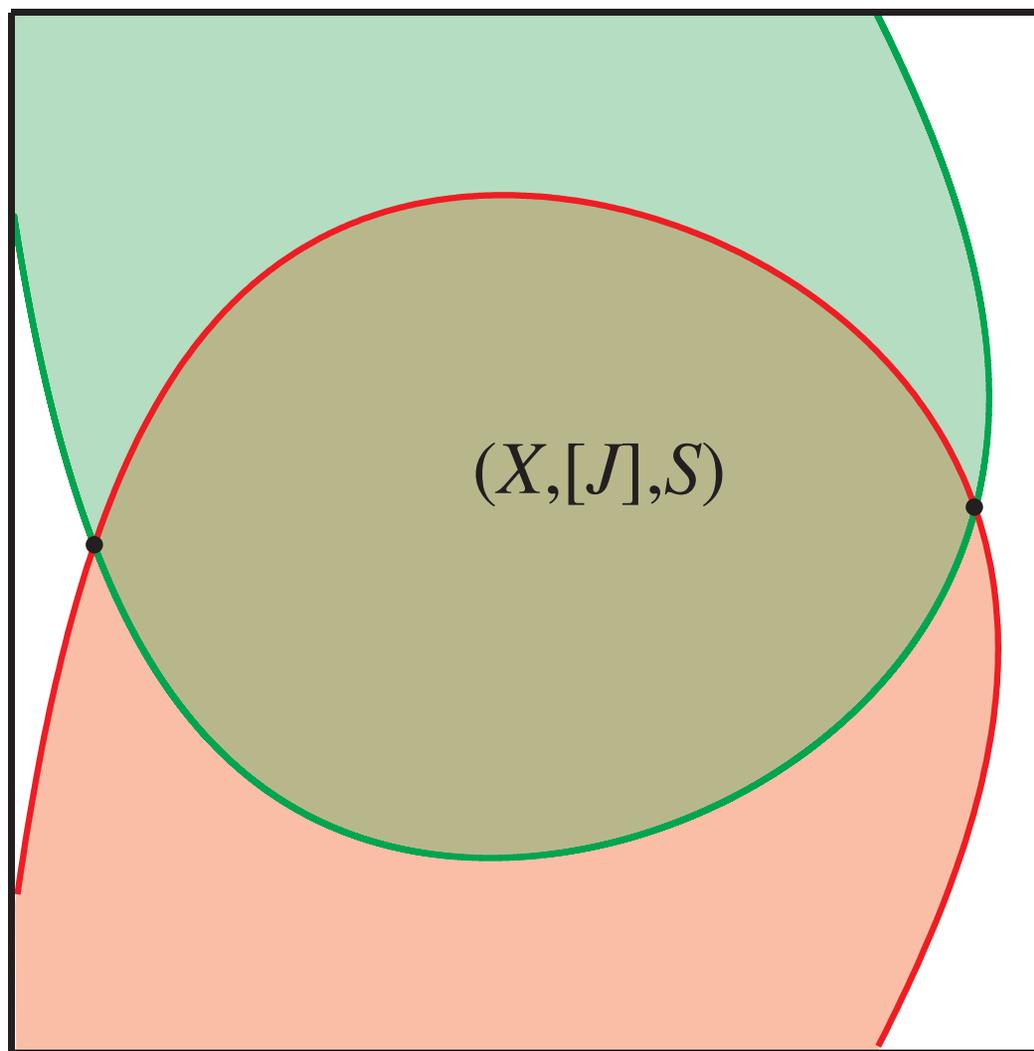


Identifying orbits by itinerary — 2 d.o.f.

- Forward and backward numerical integration

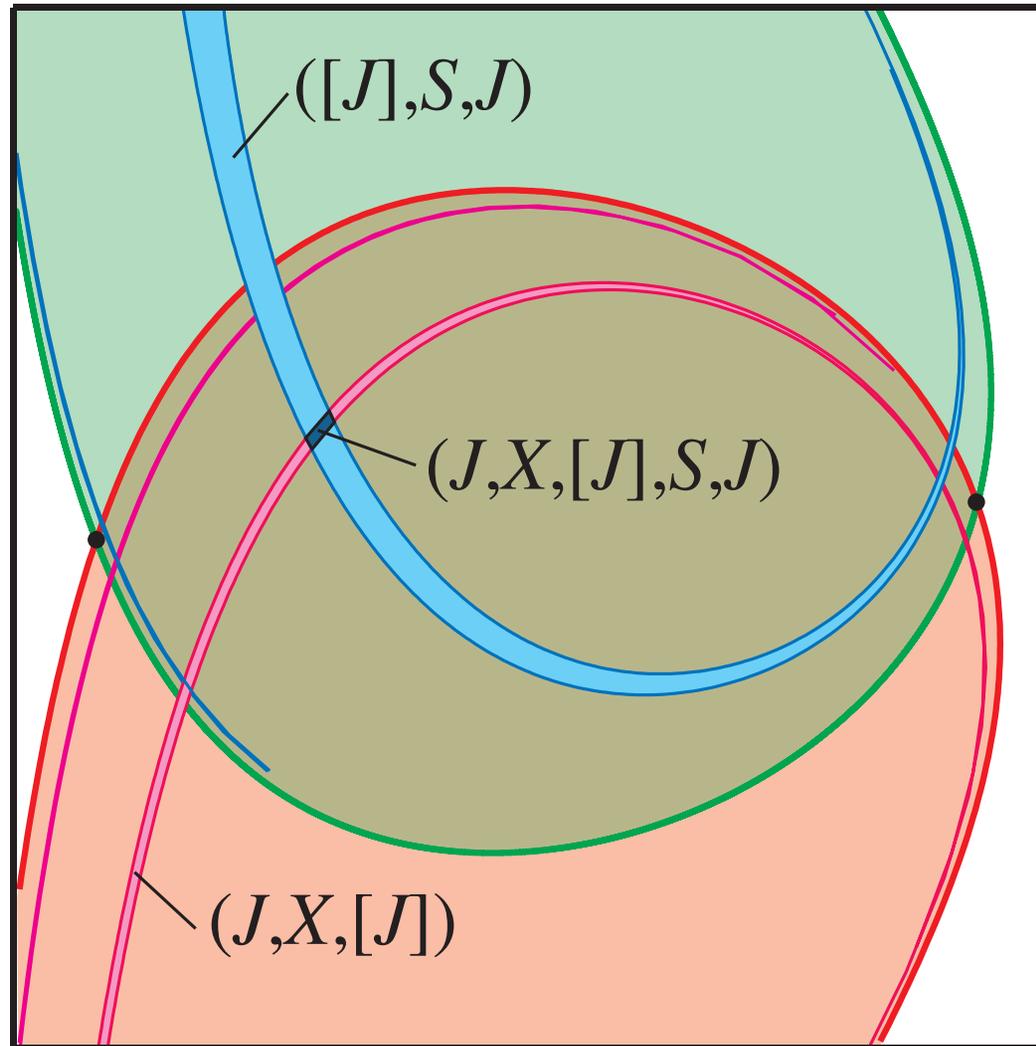


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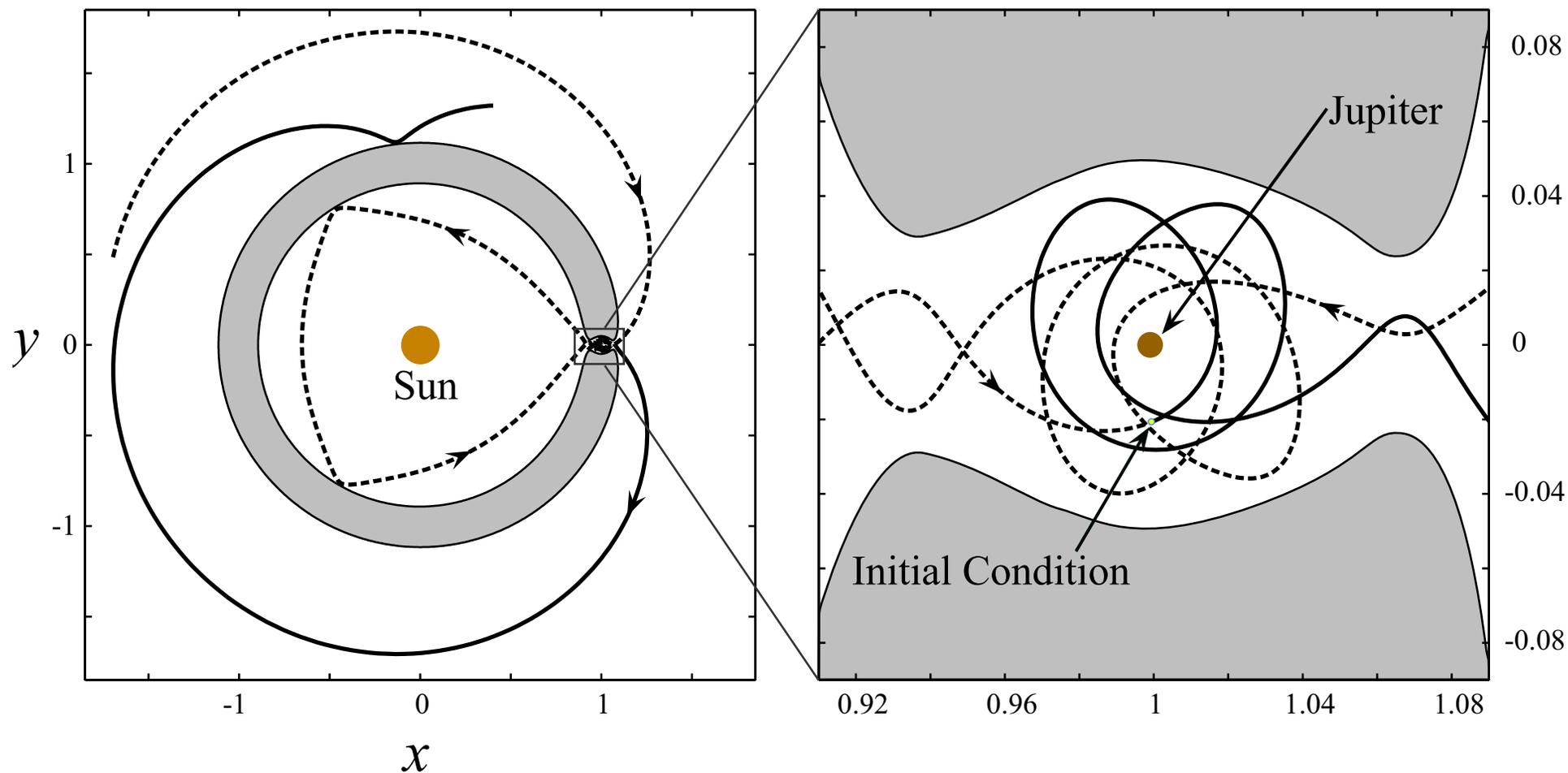
Longer itineraries...

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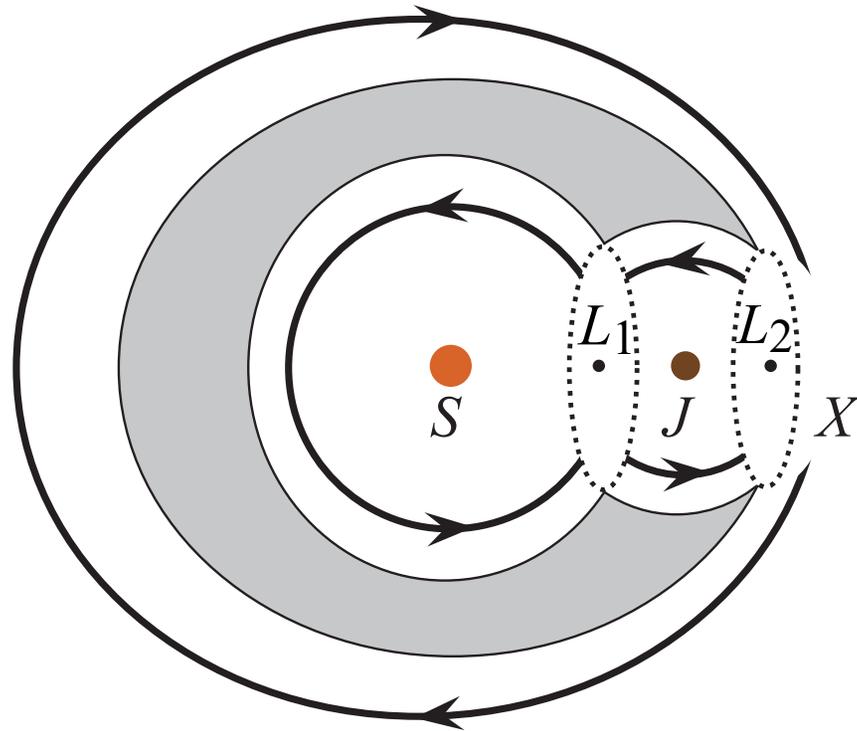
... correspond to smaller pieces of phase space

Identifying orbits by itinerary — 2 d.o.f.



Orbit with (X, J, S, J, X)

Tube dynamics: theorem



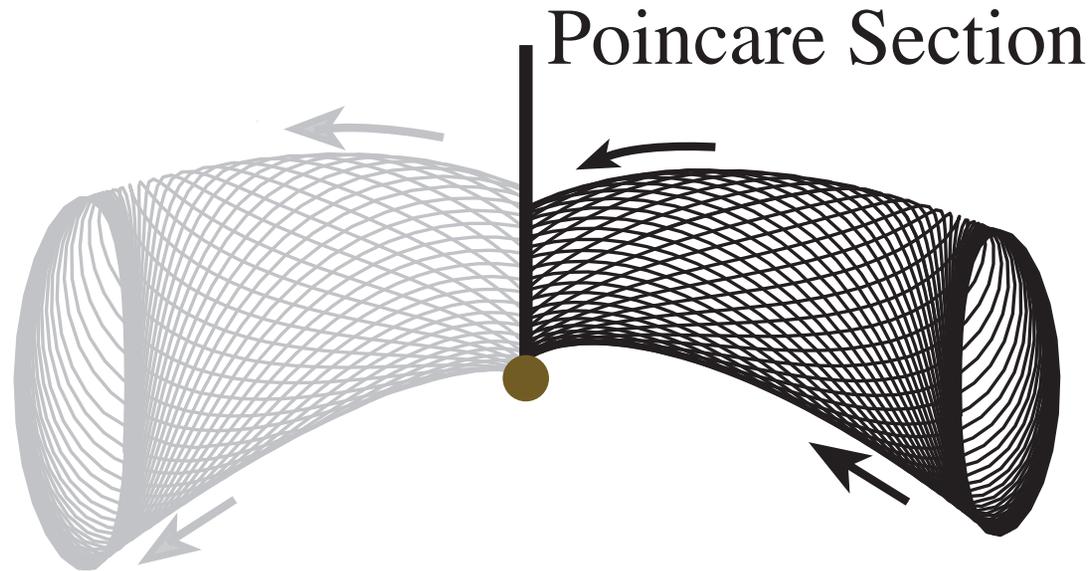
■ *Theorem of global orbit structure*

- says we can construct an orbit with any **itinerary**, eg $(\dots, J, X, J, S, J, S, \dots)$, where X , J and S denote the different realms (symbolic dynamics)²

²Main theorem of Koon, Lo, Marsden, and Ross [2000] *Chaos*

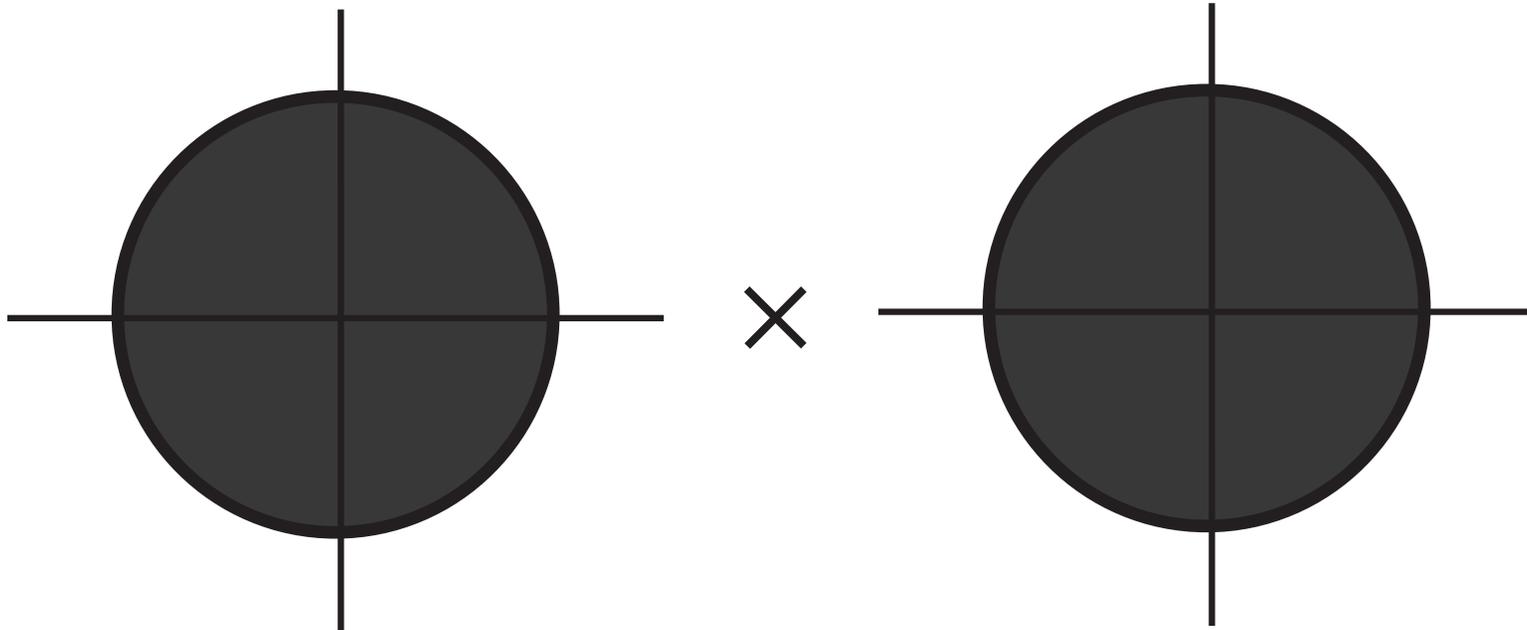
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- Tube **cross-section** is a topological **3-sphere** S^3 of radius r
 - S^3 projection: **disk** \times **disk**

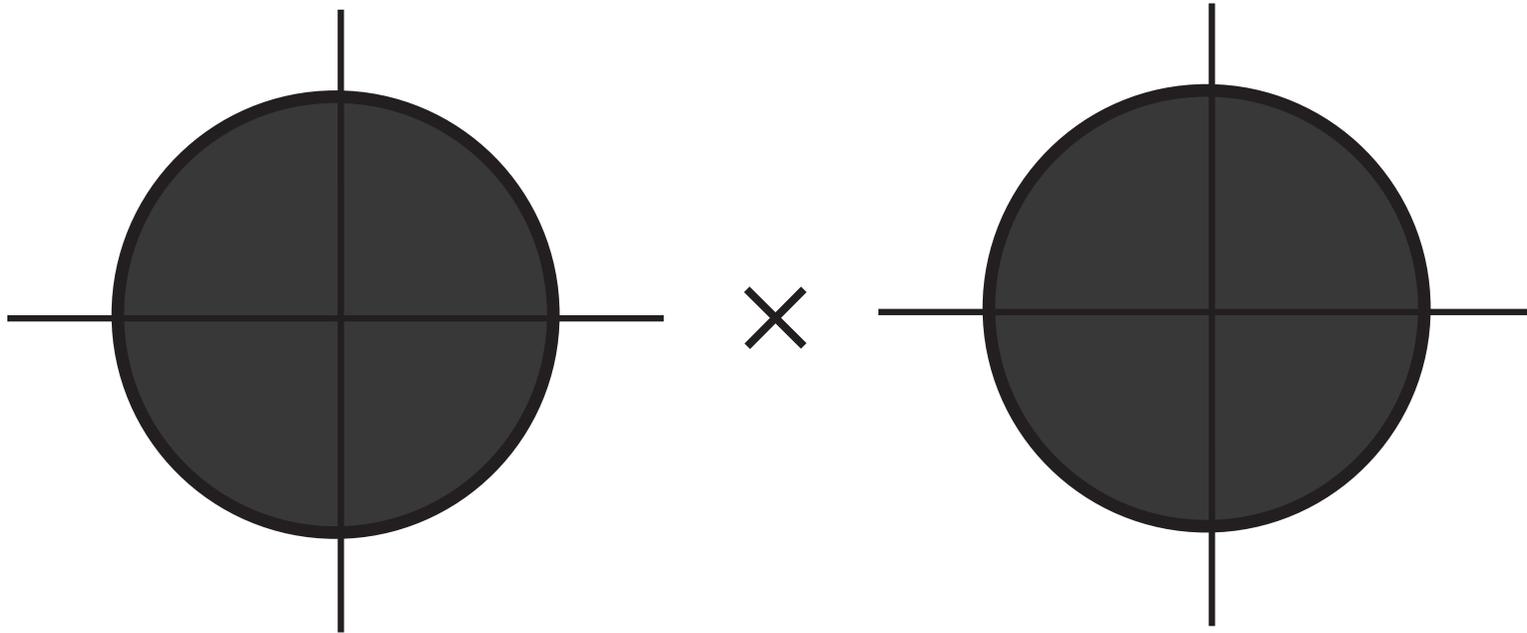


Determining interior of S^3

□ S^3 projection: **disk** \times **disk**

$$y^2 + \dot{y}^2 + z^2 + \dot{z}^2 = r^2$$

$$r_y^2 + r_z^2 = r^2$$



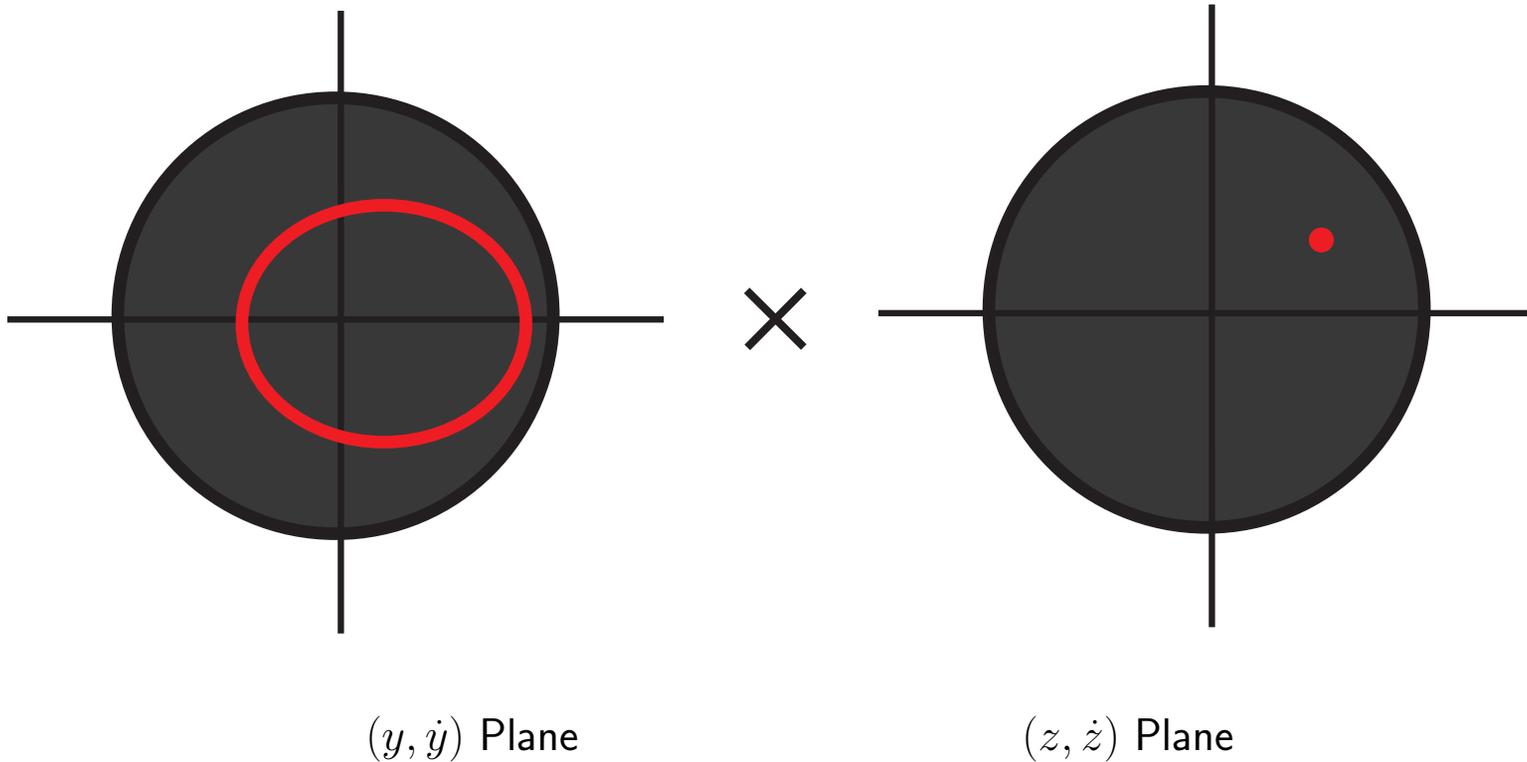
(y, \dot{y}) Plane

(z, \dot{z}) Plane

Determining interior of S^3

□ For fixed (z, \dot{z}) , projection onto (y, \dot{y}) is a **closed curve**

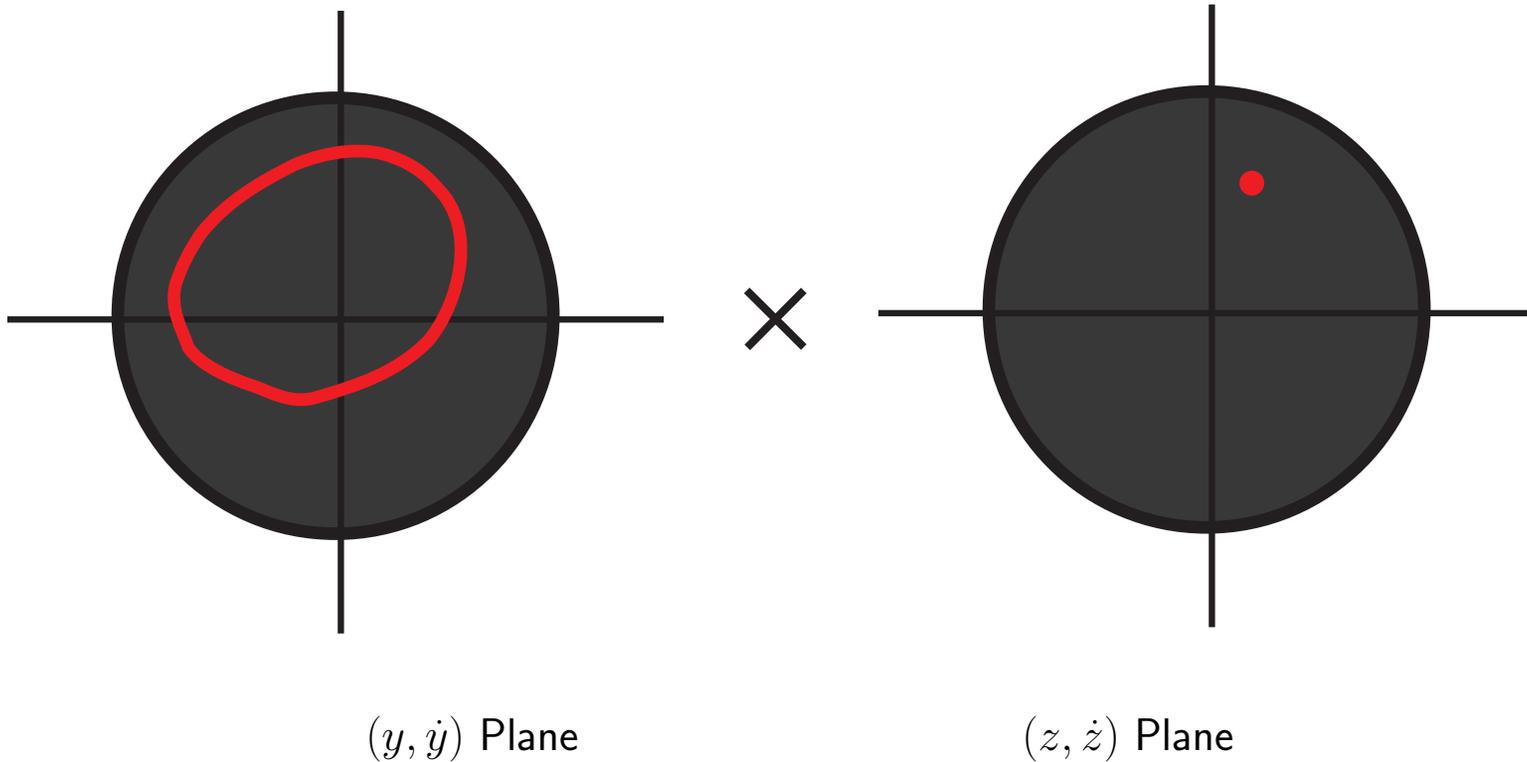
$$y^2 + \dot{y}^2 = r^2 - (z^2 + \dot{z}^2)$$
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□ For different (z, \dot{z}) , a different **closed curve** in (y, \dot{y})

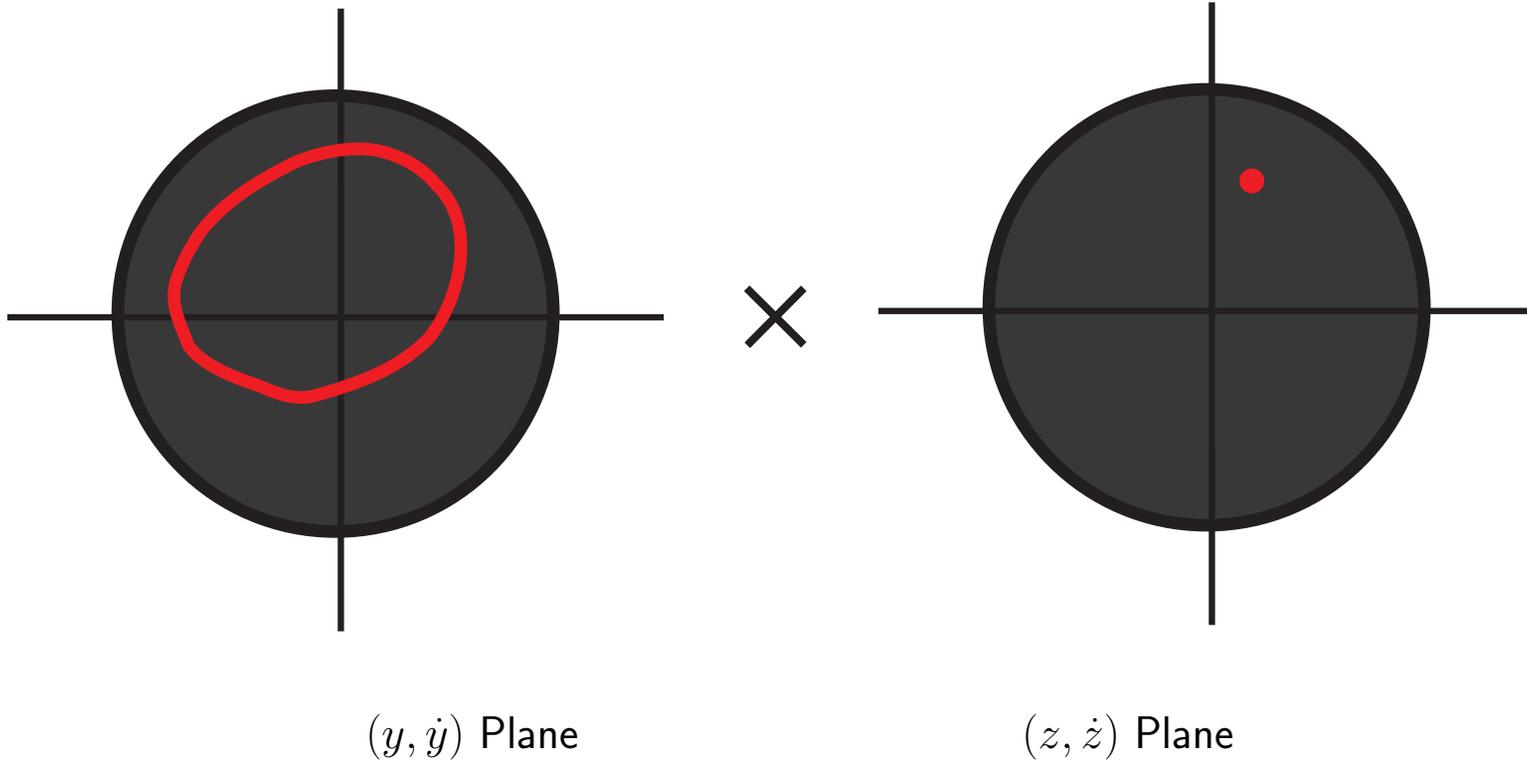
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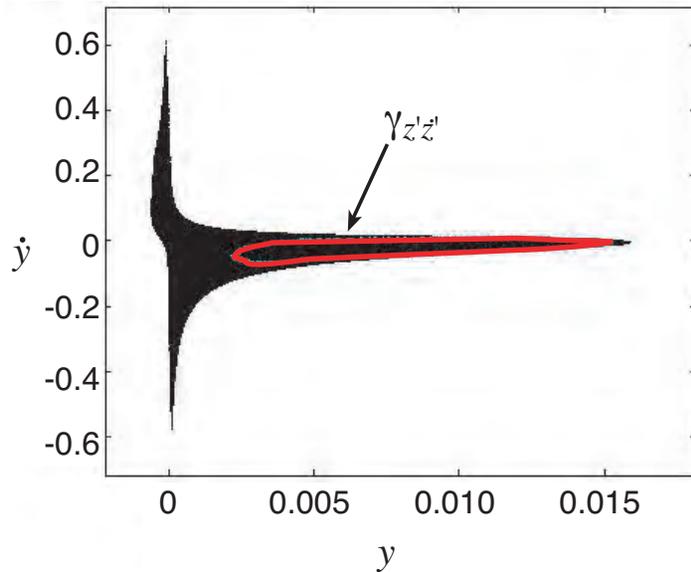
- Cross-section of tube effectively reduced to a **two-parameter family of closed curves**

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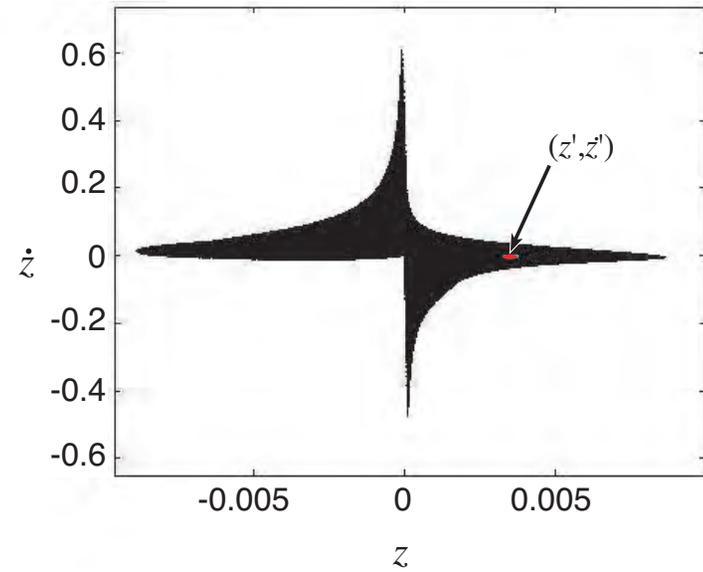


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- Can be demonstrated numerically: $\{\text{int}(\gamma_{z\dot{z}})\}_{(z,\dot{z})}$



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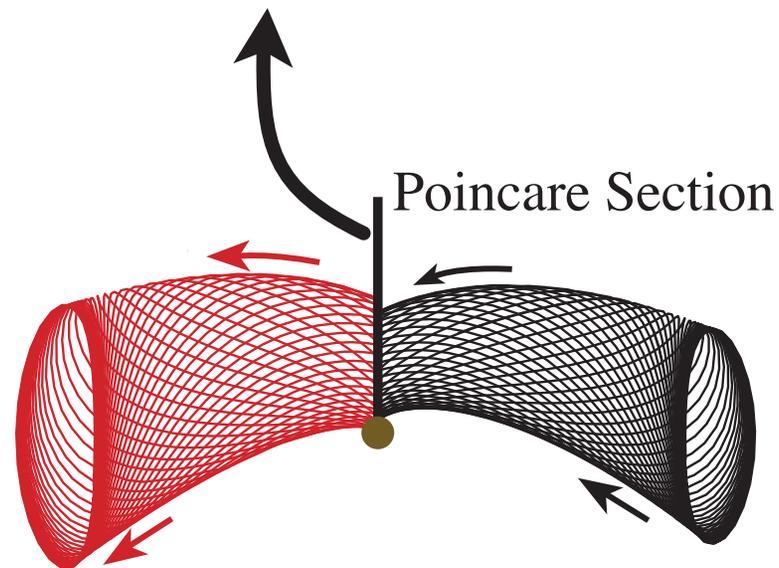
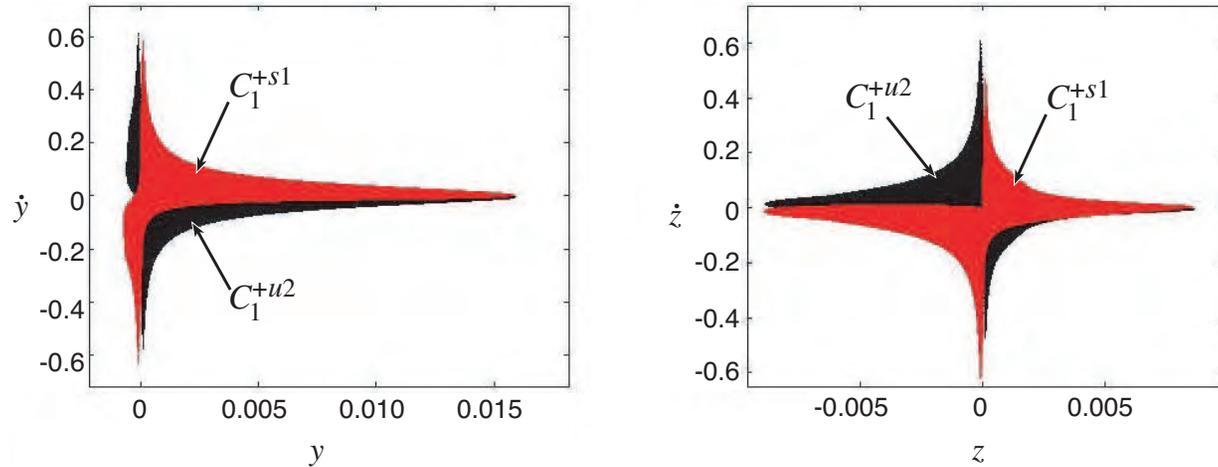


(z, \dot{z}) Plane

- Provides nice way to calculate interior of tube, intersections of tubes, etc.

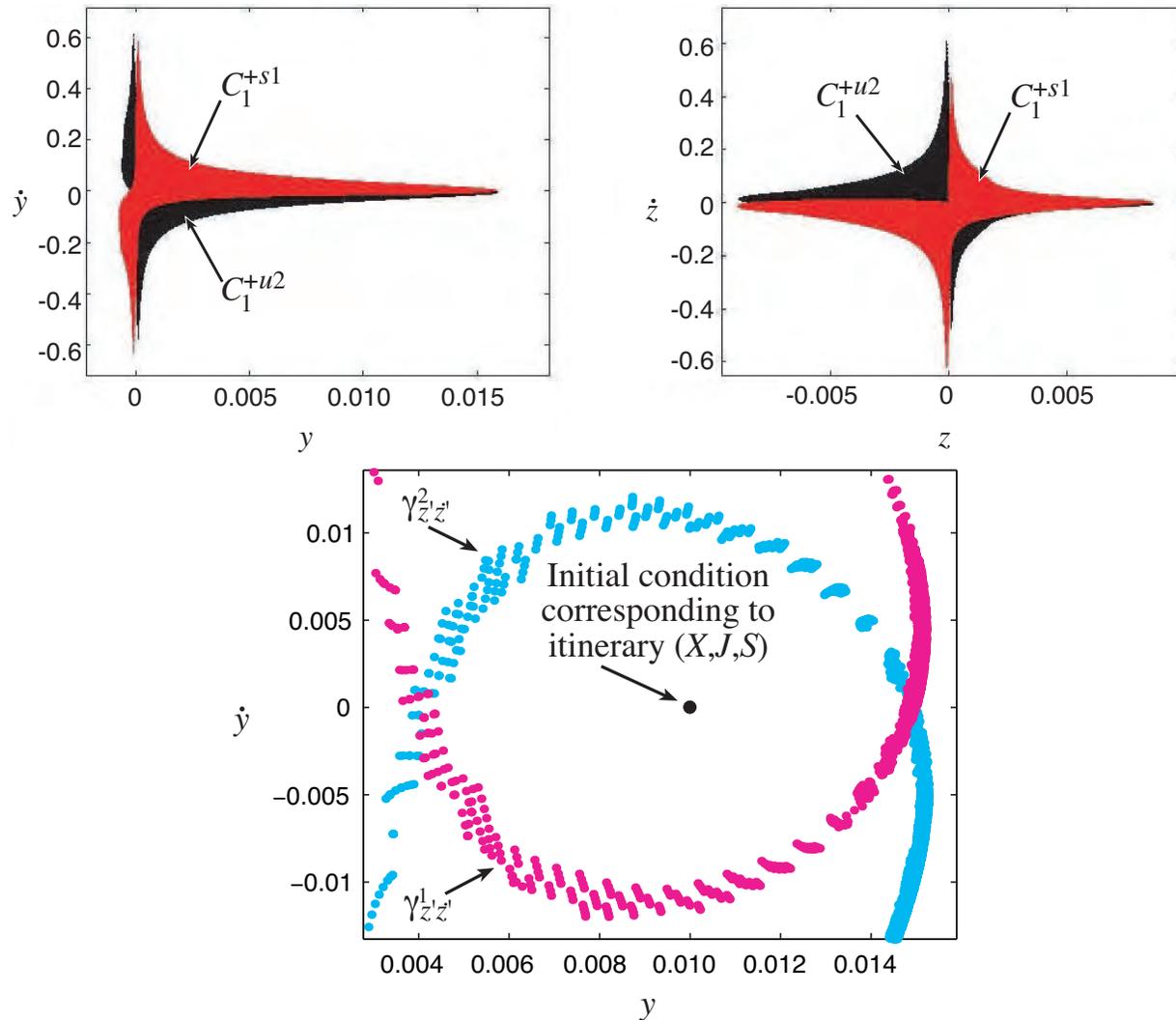
Intersection of phase volumes

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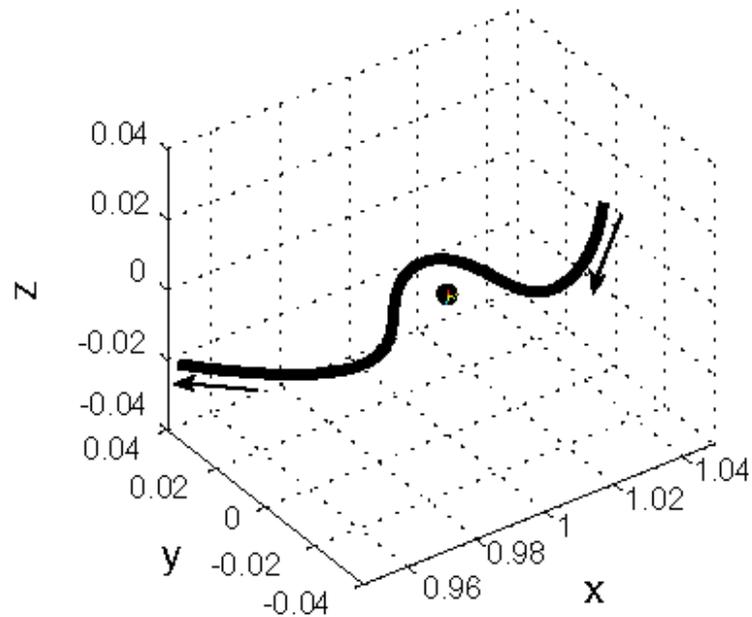


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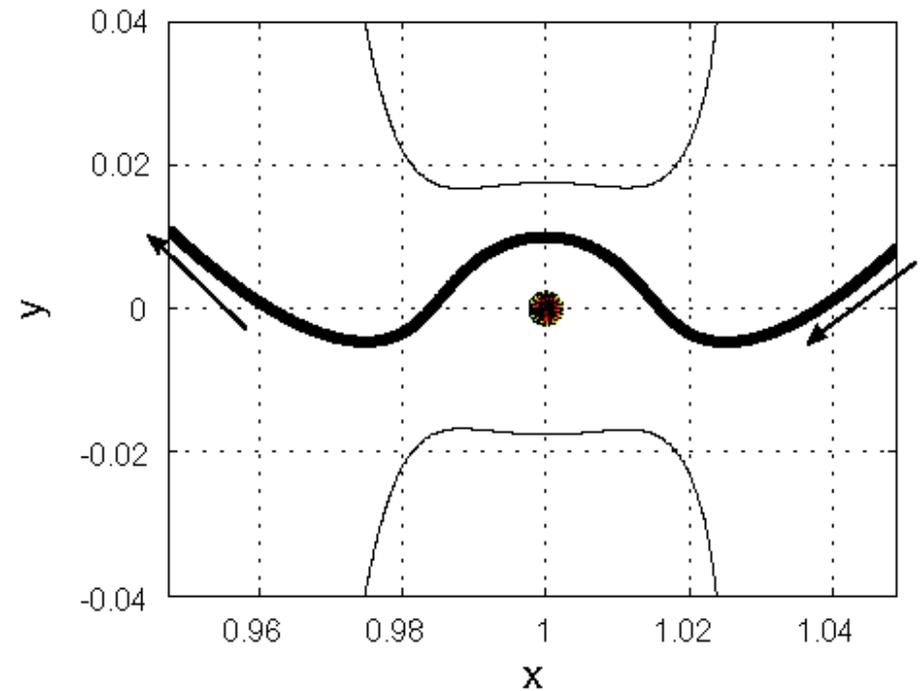
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All orbits in intersection correspond to transition

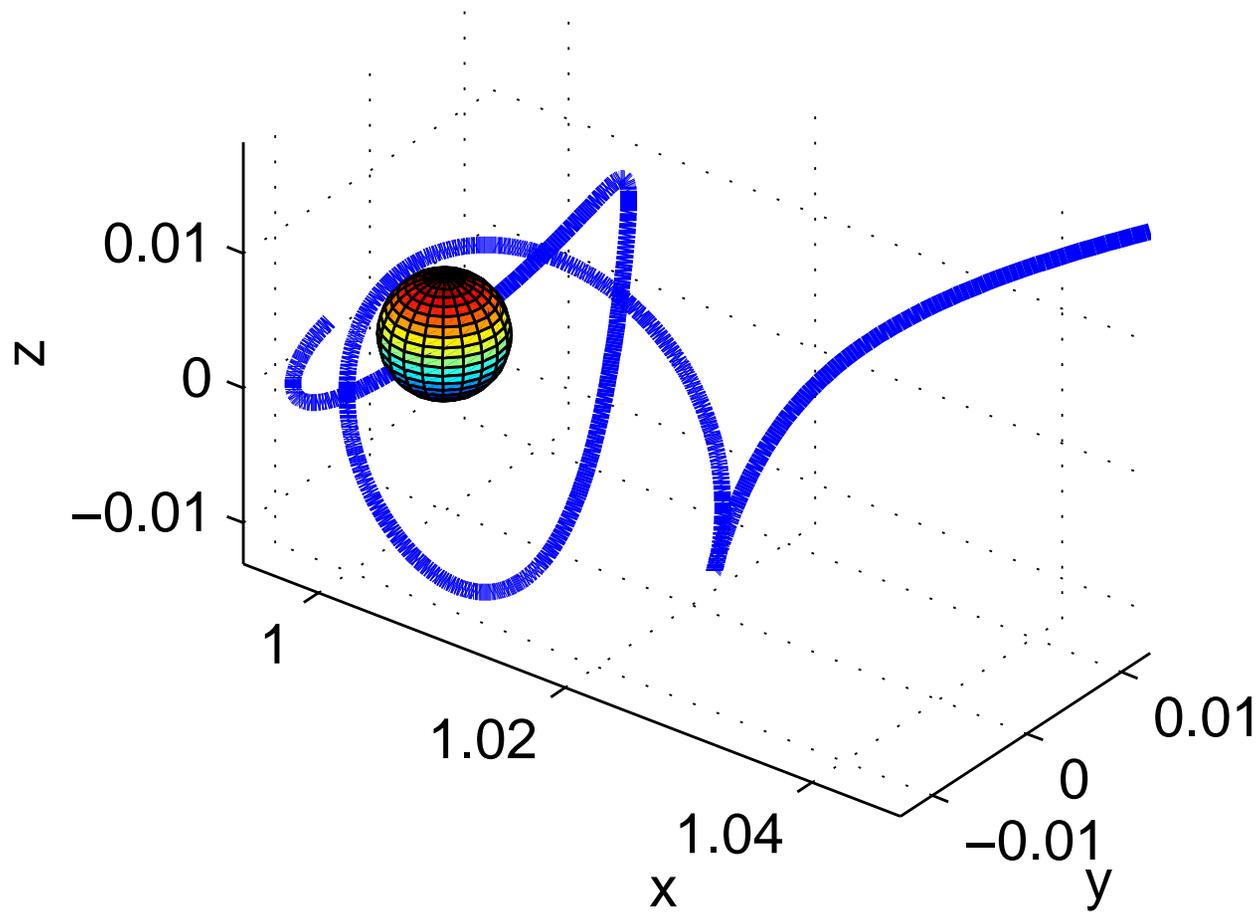


3D view



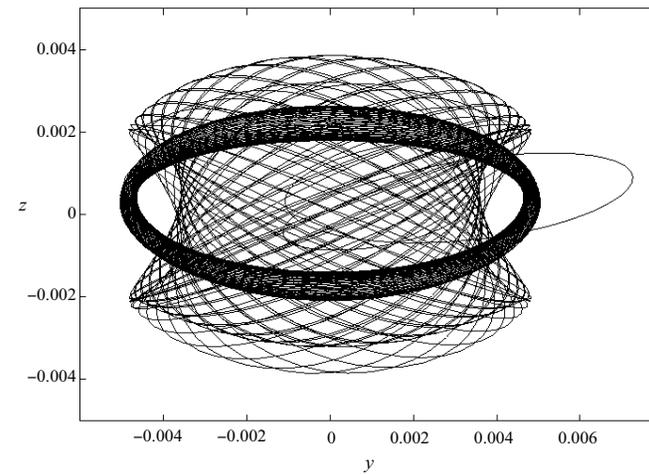
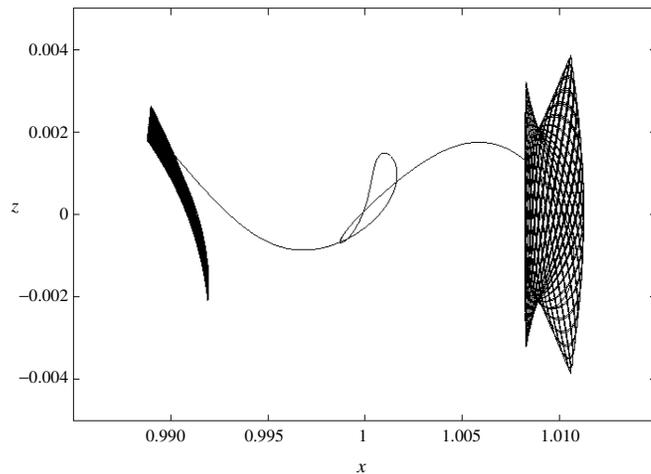
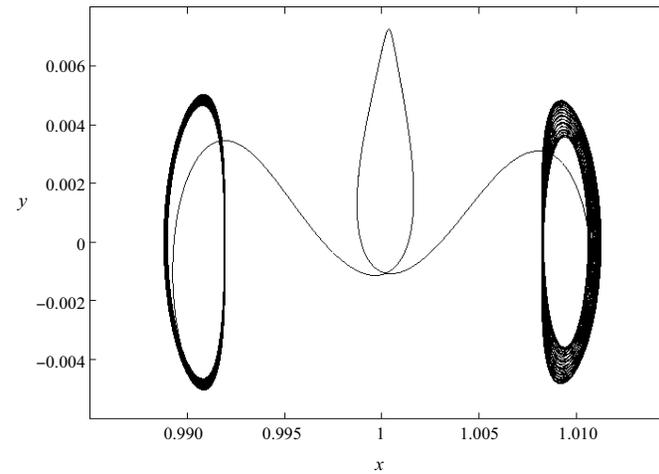
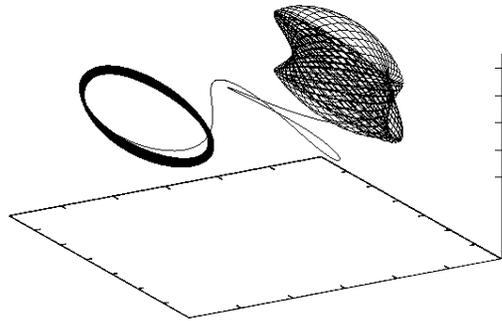
xy-plane projection

Other orbits obtained this way



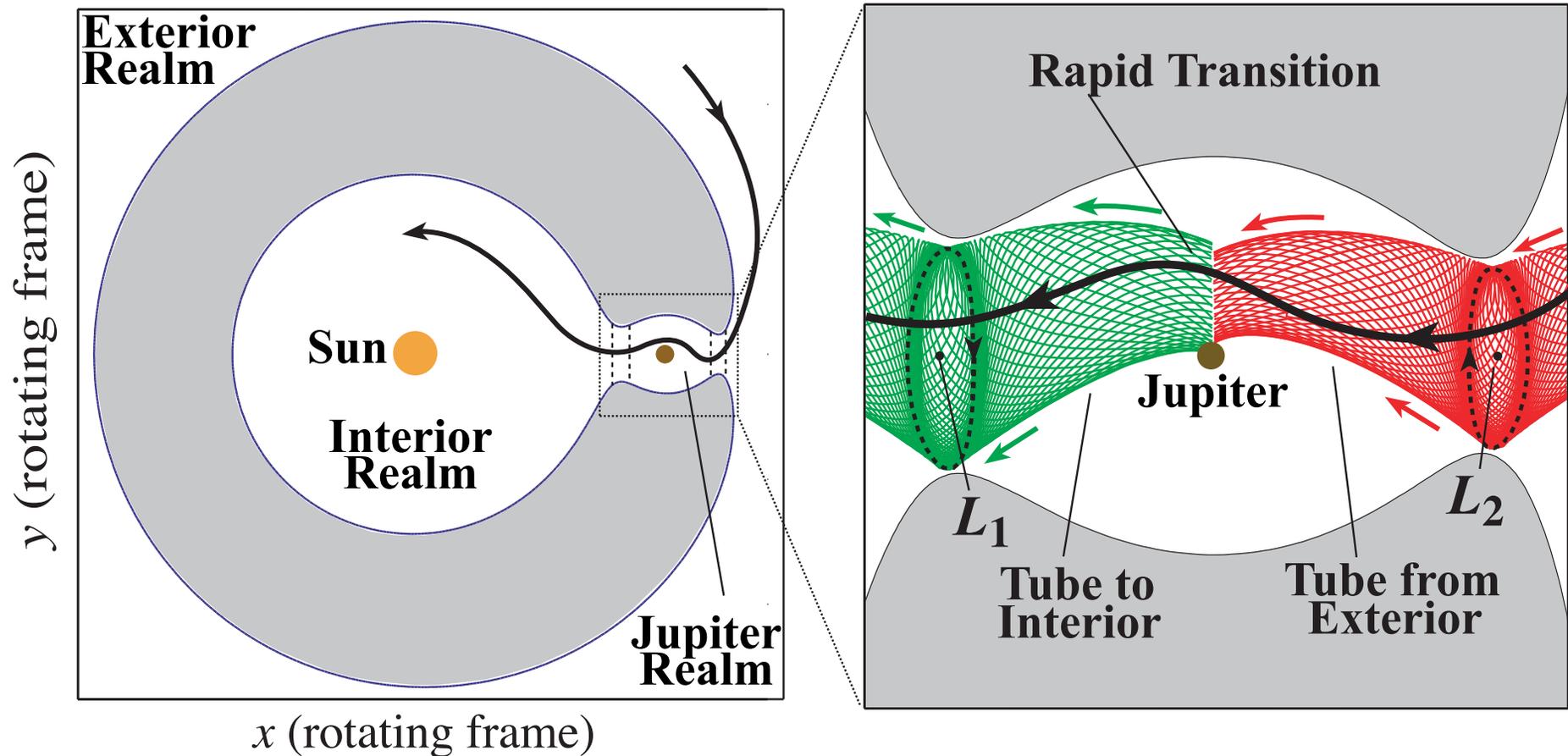
Another example

On the tubes, rather than in the tubes



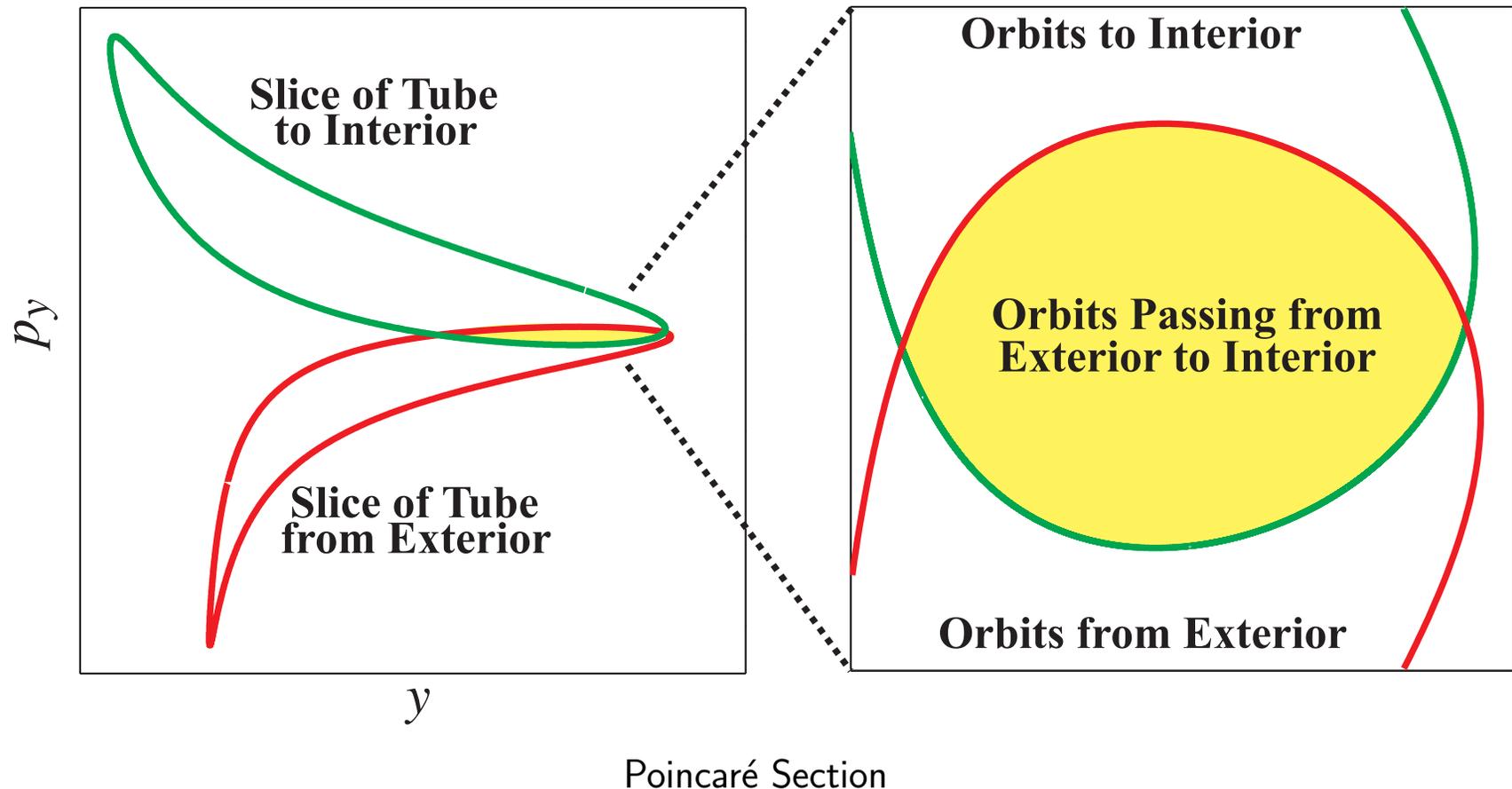
An L_1 - L_2 heteroclinic connection

Transition probabilities



- Example: Comet transport between outside and inside of Jupiter (i.e., **Oterma**-like transitions)

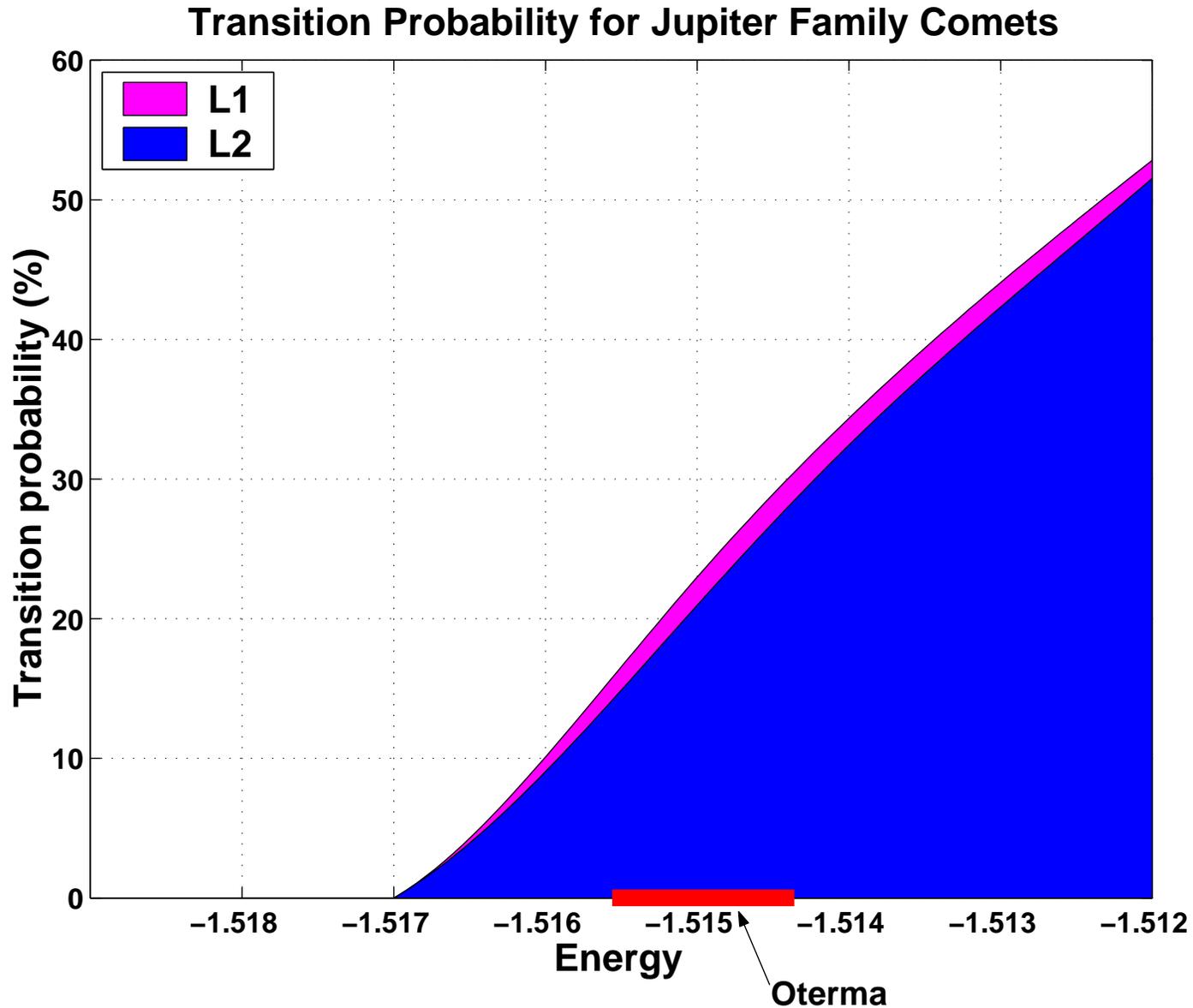
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- Phase volume ratio gives the **relative probability** to pass from **outside** to **inside** Jupiter's orbit.

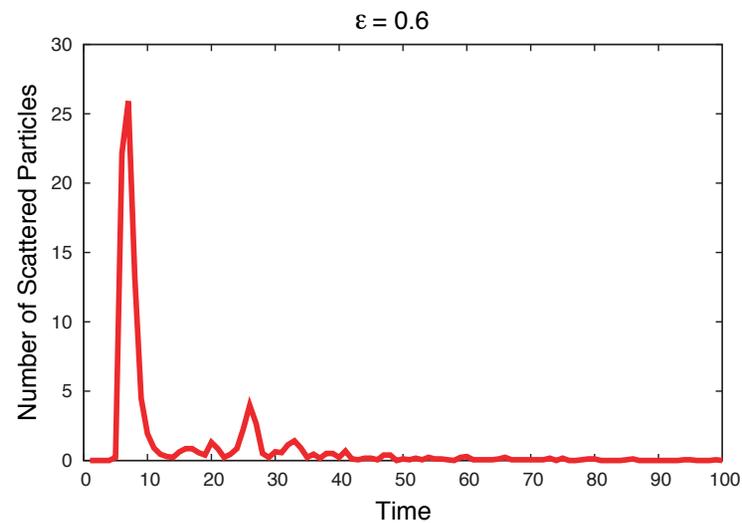
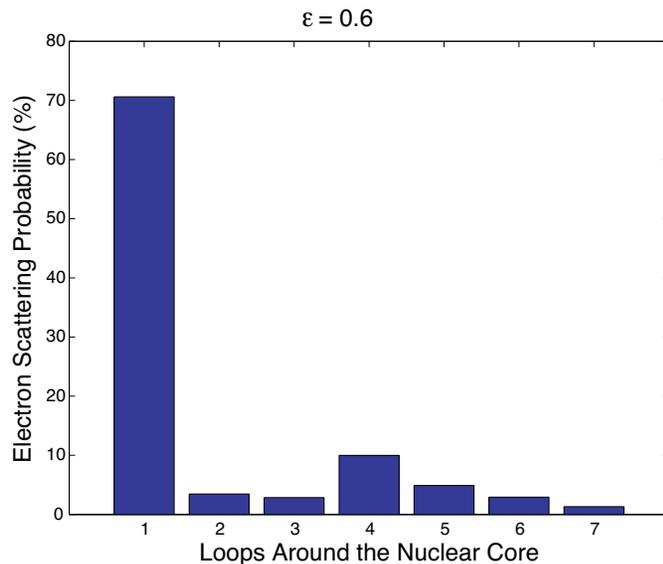
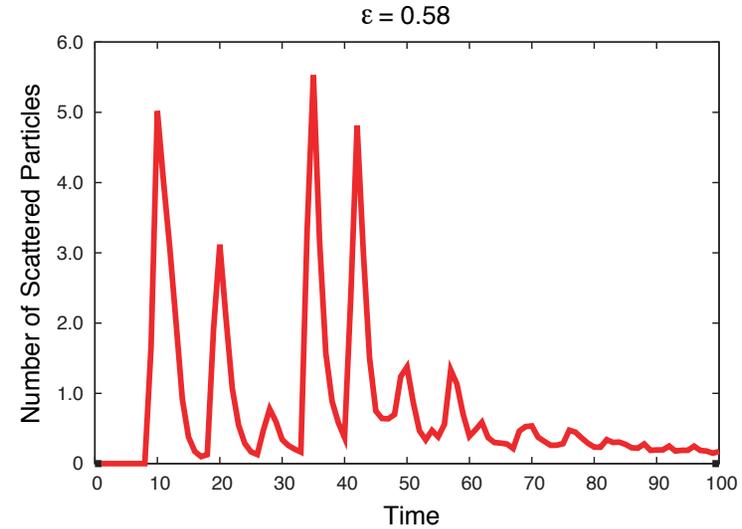
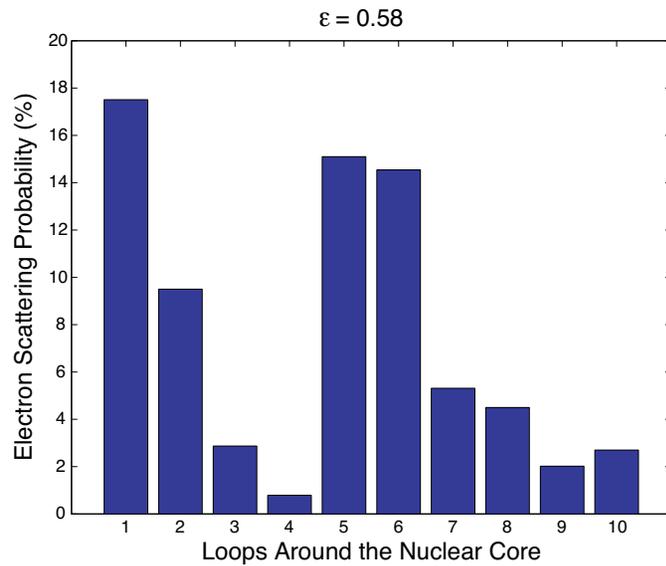
Transition probabilities

□ Jupiter family comet transitions: **X** → **S**, **S** → **X**



Capture time determined by tube dynamics

□ Temporary capture time profiles are structured



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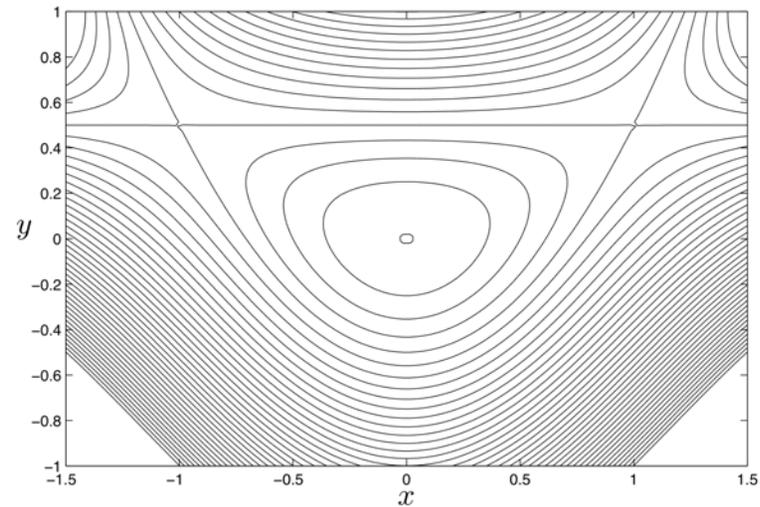
- Results apply to similar problems in chemistry, biomechanics, **ship capsizes**



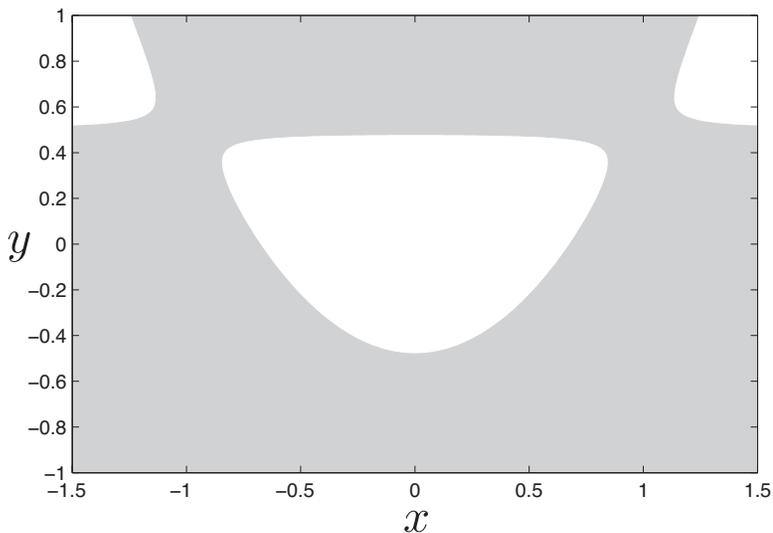
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- Ship motion is Hamiltonian,

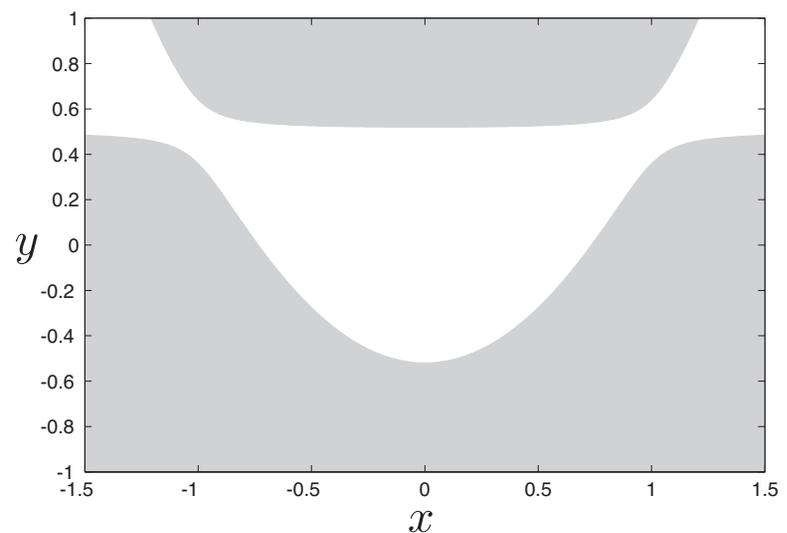
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$V(x, y)$

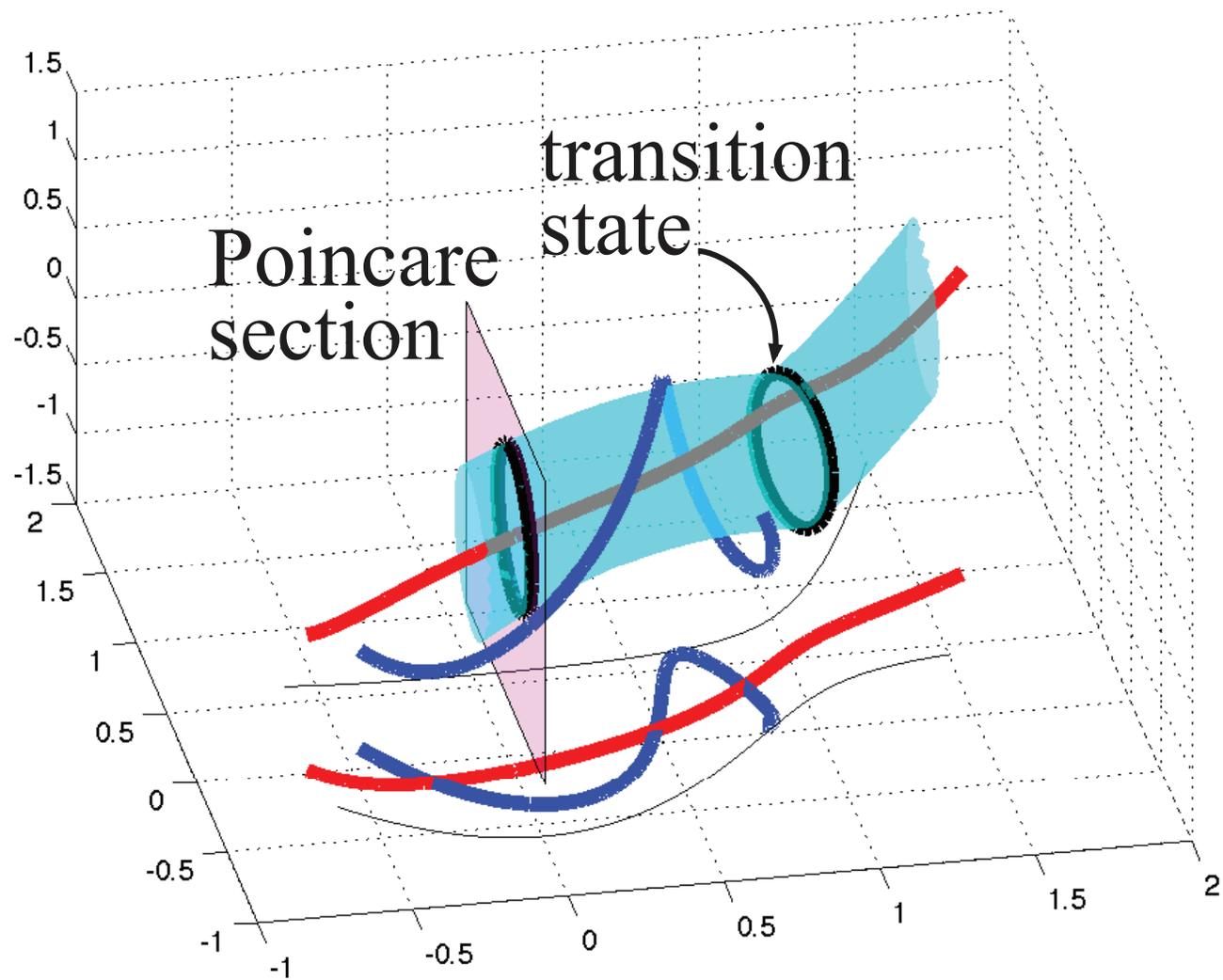


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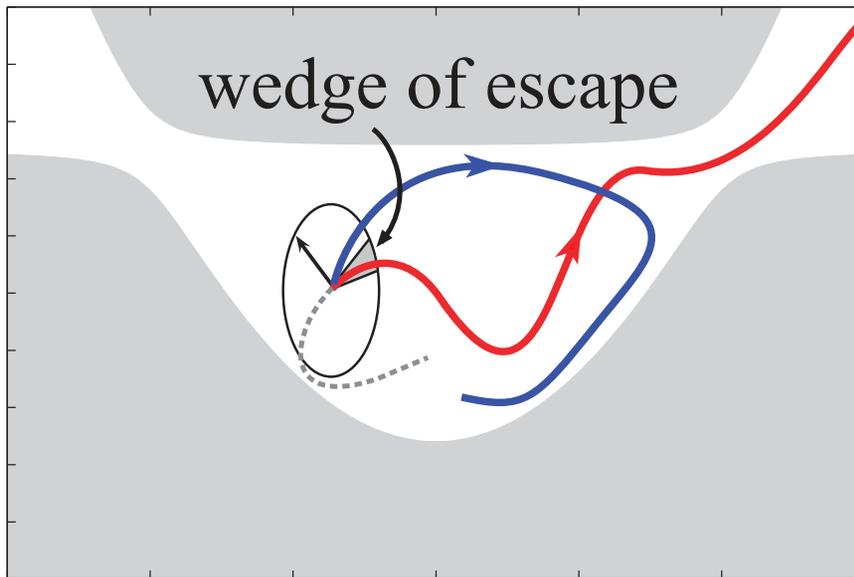
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Tubes leading to capsizes



Tubes leading to capsizes

- Wedge of trajectories leading to imminent capsizes



- Tubes are a useful paradigm for predicting capsizes even in the presence of random forcing, e.g., random waves
- Could inform control schemes to avoid capsizes in rough seas

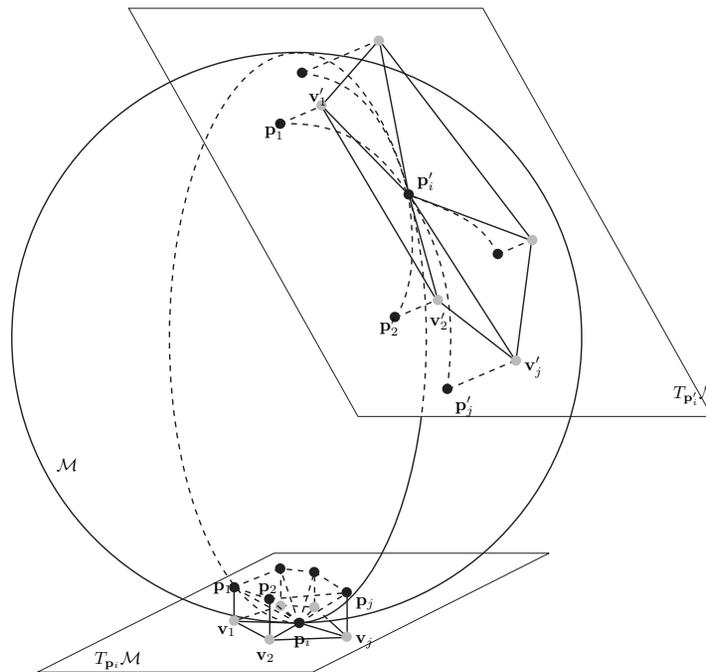
Some other transport activities inspired by Jerry

FTLE for Riemannian manifolds

- We can define the FTLE for Riemannian manifolds³

$$\sigma_t^T(x) = \frac{1}{|T|} \ln \left\| D\phi_t^{t+T} \right\| \doteq \frac{1}{|T|} \log \left(\max_{y \neq 0} \frac{\left\| D\phi_t^{t+T}(y) \right\|}{\|y\|} \right)$$

with y a small perturbation in the tangent space at x .



³Lekien & Ross [2010] Chaos

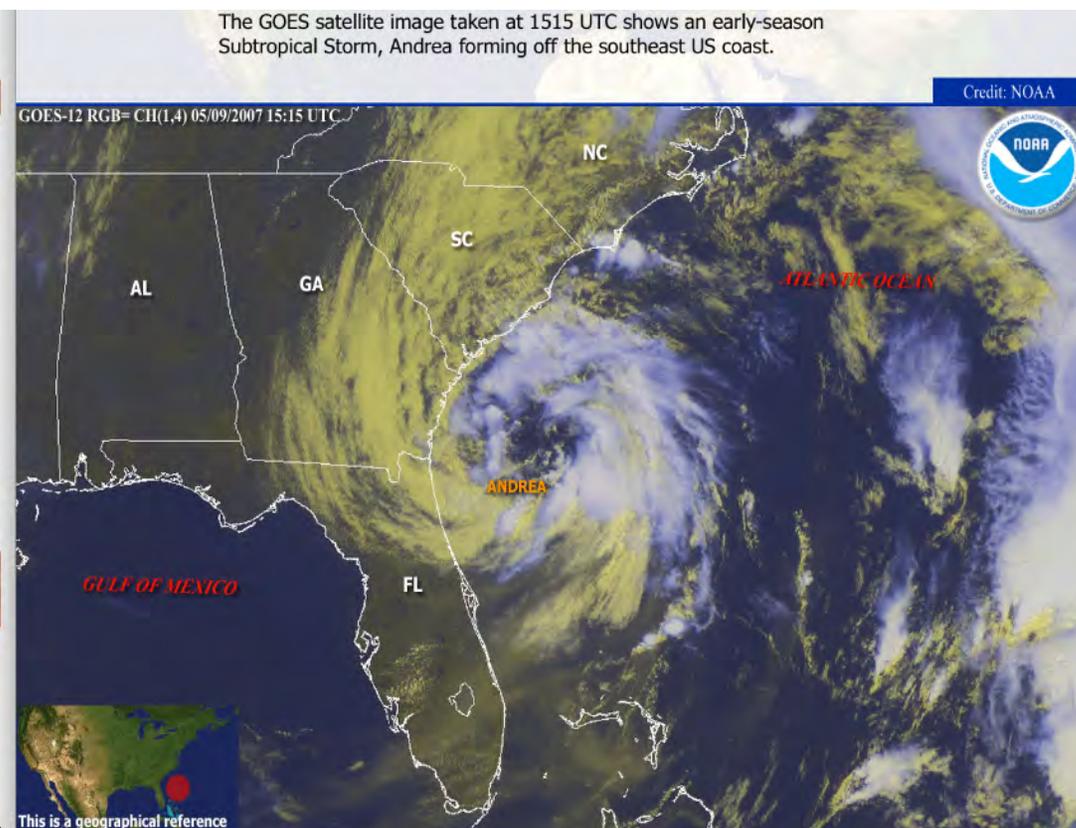
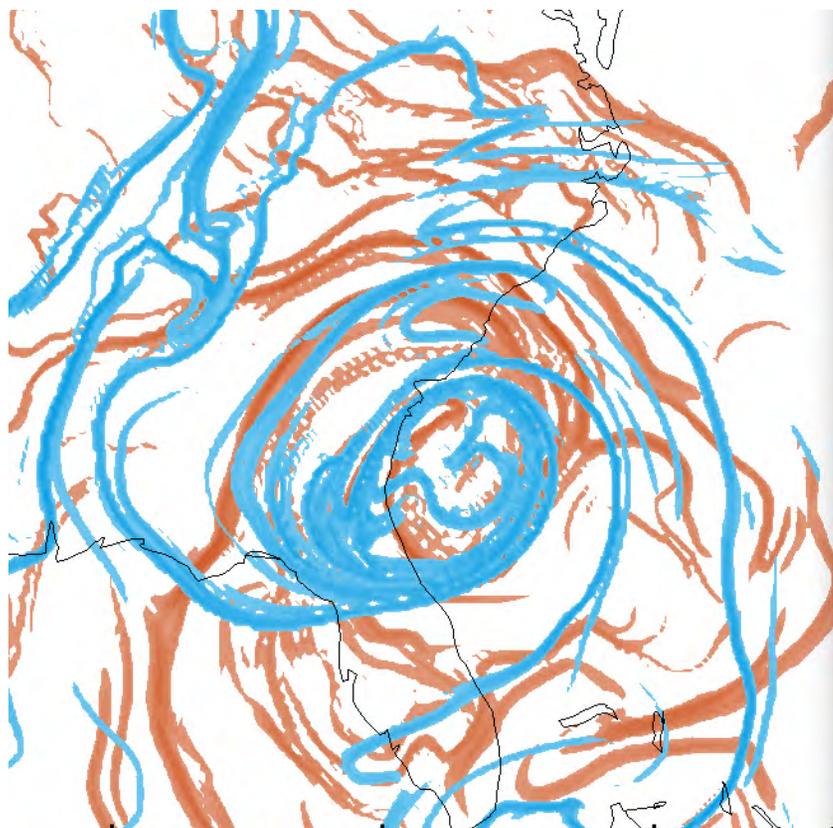
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Atmospheric flows and lobe dynamics



orange = repelling LCSs, blue = attracting LCSs

satellite

Hurricane Andrea, 2007

cf. Sapsis & Haller [2009], Du Toit & Marsden [2010], Lekien & Ross [2010], Tallapragada & Ross [2011]

Atmospheric flows and lobe dynamics



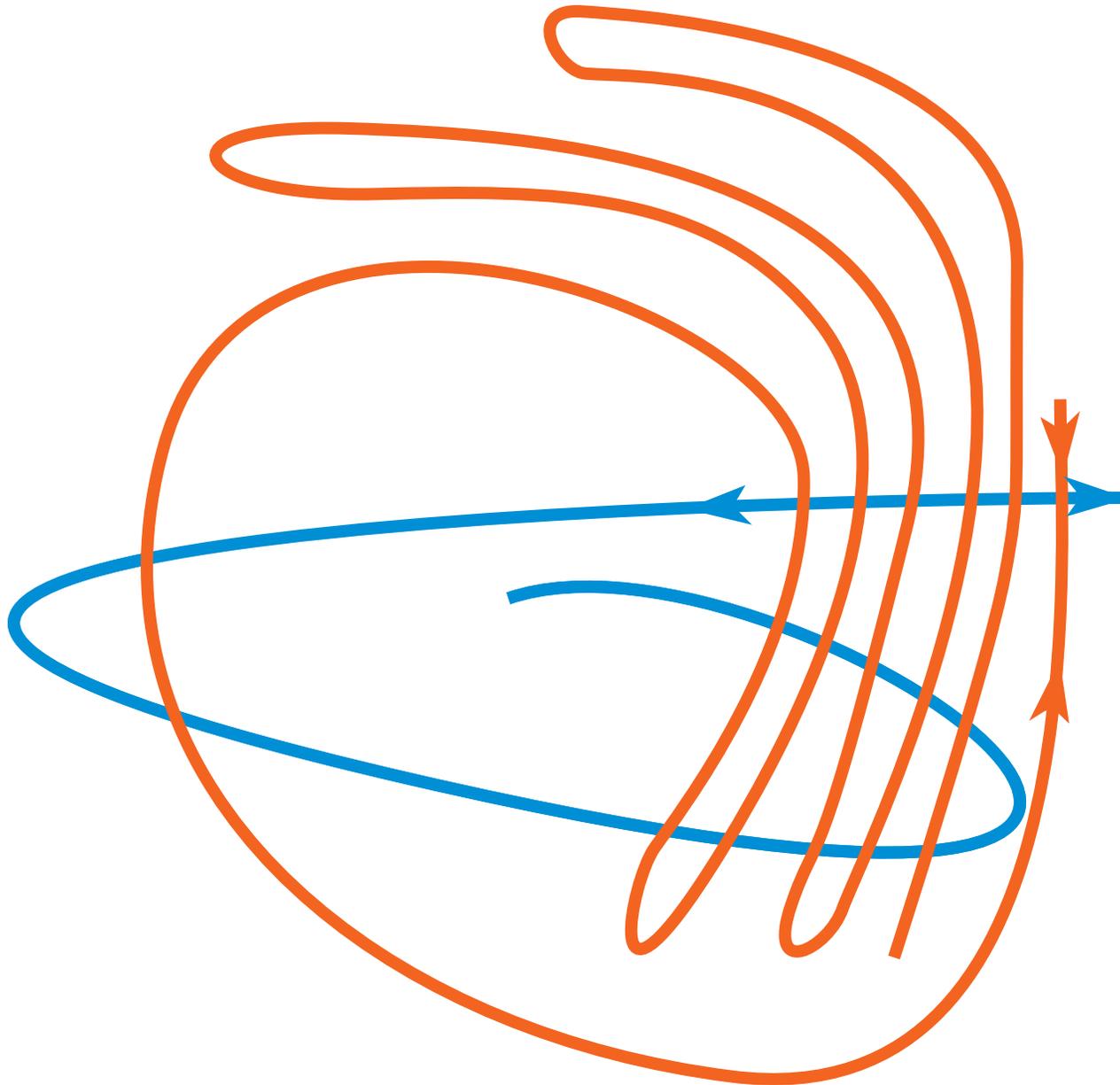
Hurricane Andrea at one snapshot; LCS shown (orange = repelling, blue = attracting)

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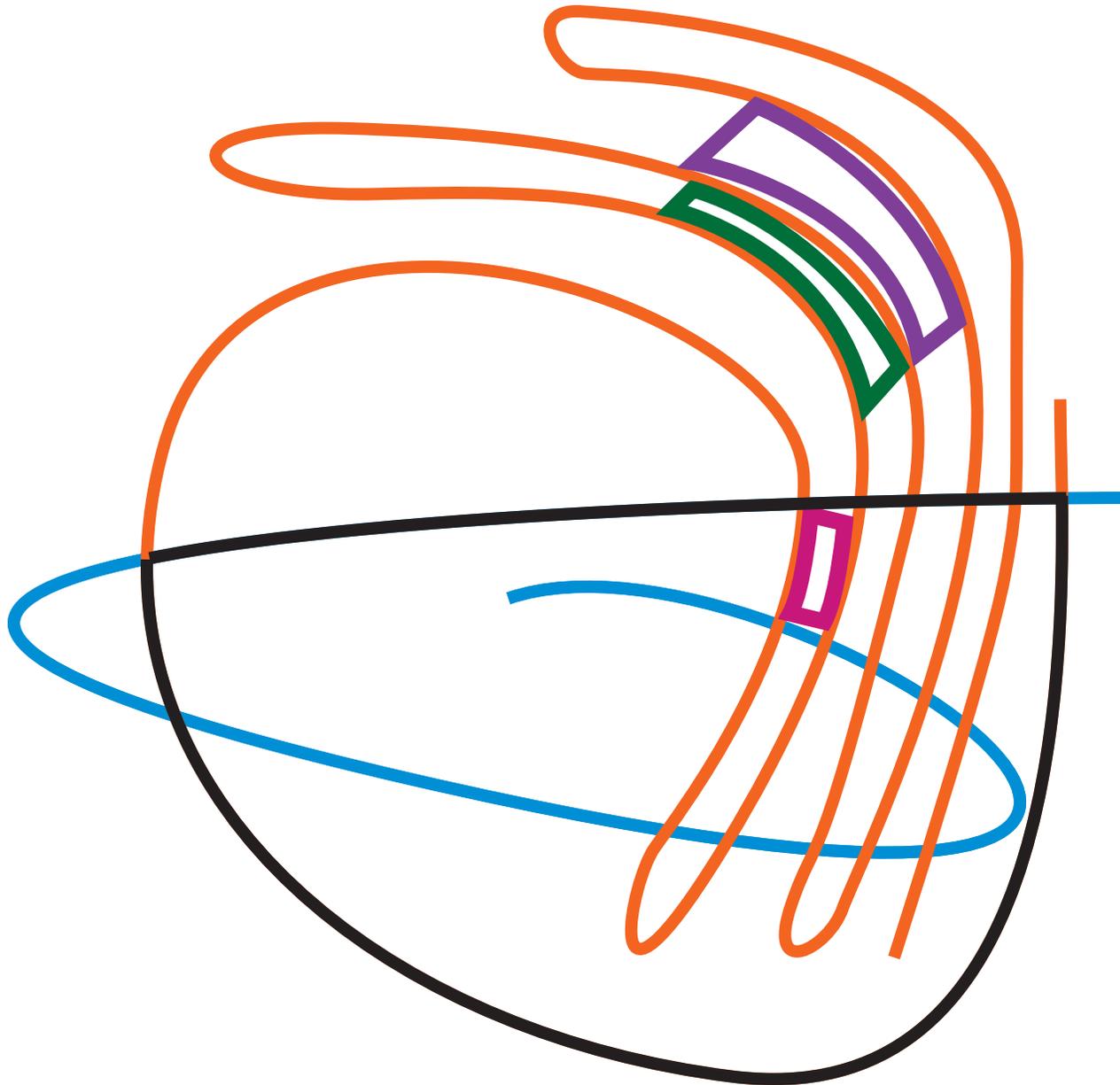
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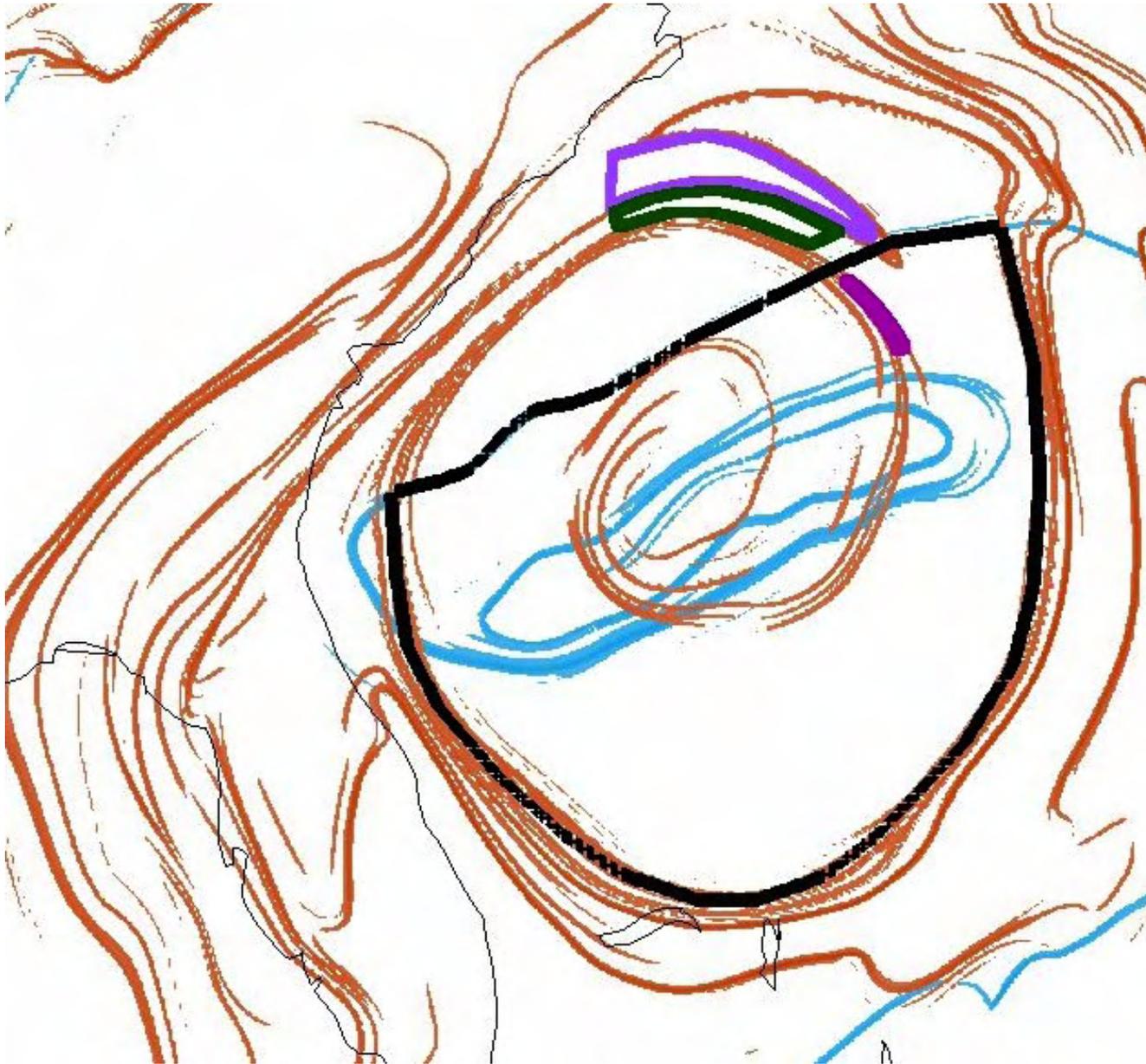
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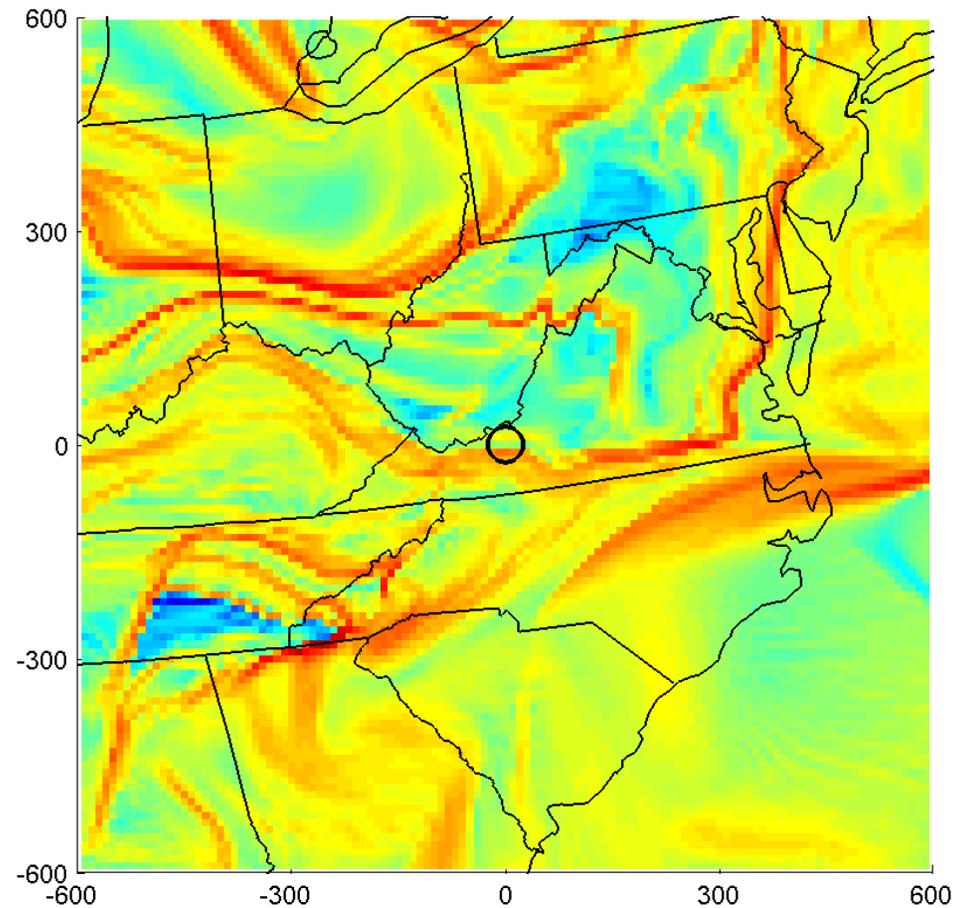


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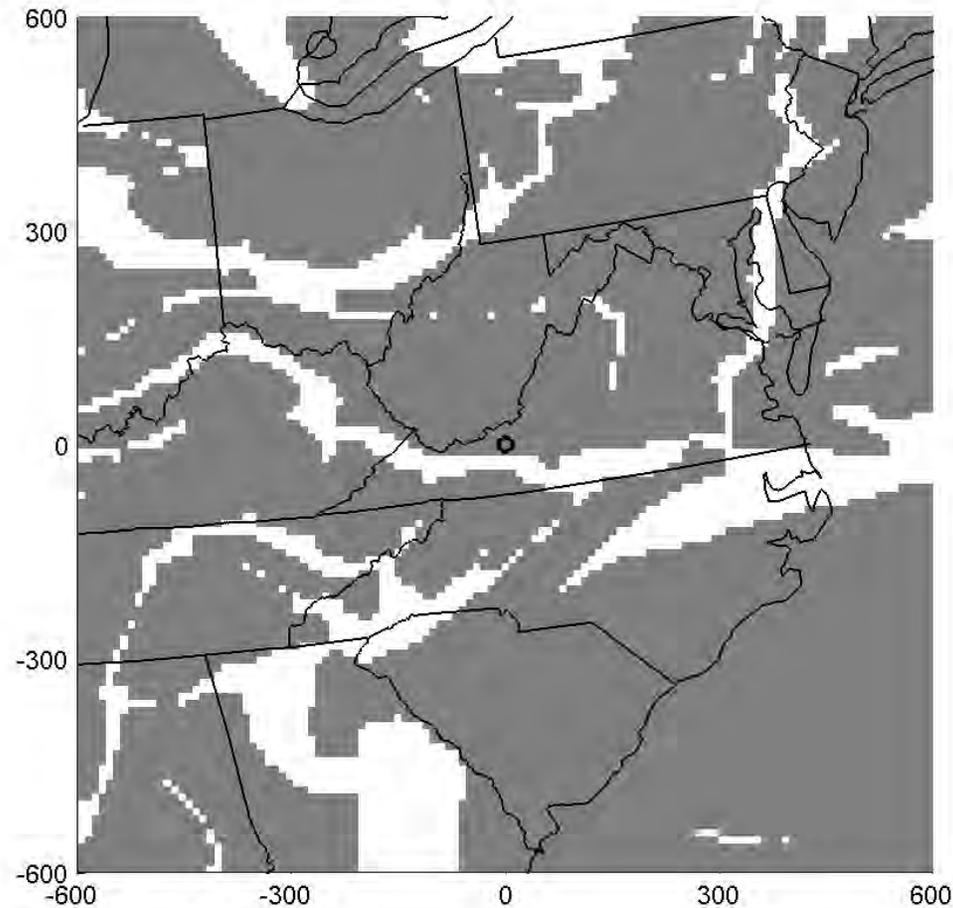
Sets behave as lobe dynamics dictates

Coherent sets and set-based definition of FTLE



- FTLE from covariance during 24 hours starting 09:00 1 May 2007

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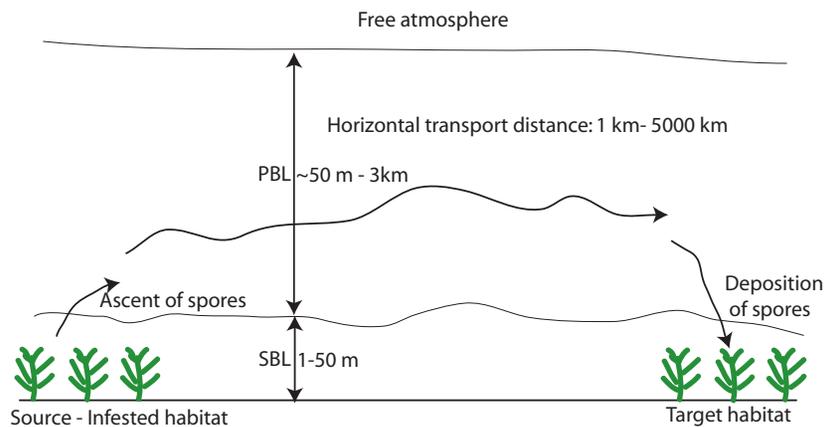


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Navigation in an aperiodic setting

- Selectively jumping between large air masses using control
- Moving between mobile subregions of different finite-time itineraries

Biological adaptation



Long range transport of plant pathogen spores

atmospheric superhighway

- Might organisms which travel via the atmosphere have adaptations to best take advantage of the “atmospheric superhighway”?

Final words on geometry of transport

- **Invariant manifold** and invariant manifold-like structures are related to transport; form template or skeleton

- In Hamiltonian systems with rank-1 saddles:
 - **Tube dynamics**: the interior of tube manifolds
 - related to capture, escape, transition, collision
 - applications to orbital mechanics, ship capsizing, ...

- In the atmosphere:
 - **Lagrangian coherent structures**
 - the skeleton of air
 - boundaries between air masses
 - link with set-oriented and topological methods

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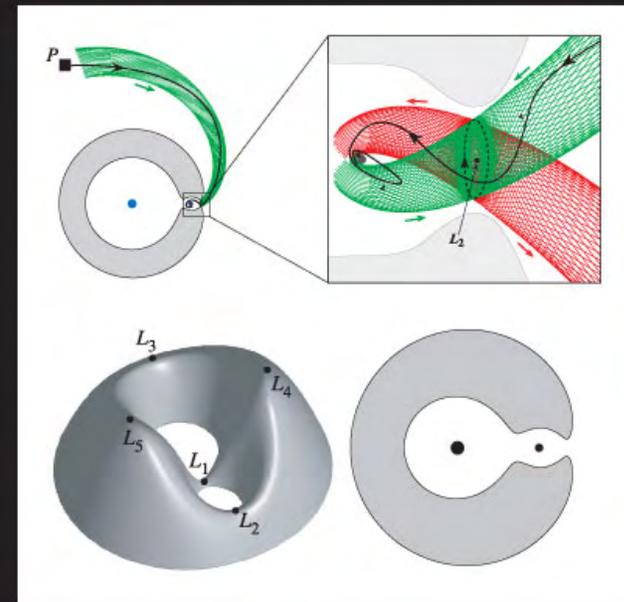
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