

**Theory and simulations for weakly chaotic  
systems:  
round off and irreversibility, collisions and  
relaxation**

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# Theory and simulations for weakly chaotic systems

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# Theory and simulations for weakly chaotic systems

## Introduction

**Complexity** is a feature of **living** systems (Milnor)

- 1 Non linear long range interactions
- 2 Collective self organization (emerging properties)
- 3 Hierarchical structures (networks)
- 4 Metastability and **irreversibility**
- 5 **Information** processing and storage
- 6 **Self reproduction**

**Physical systems** with long range forces share 1-4 (**precomplex**)

Life appears at the **borderline** between order and chaos (Kaufmann)

**Information** allows project **coding** and causes **irreversibility** if

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## Non linear systems classification

According to the correlations decay

A) Regular

$$C(t) = 1/t$$

B) Weakly chaotic

$$C(t) = 1/t^\alpha$$

C) Strongly chaotic

$$C(t) = e^{-\beta t}$$

## Networks

Similar classification holds

A) Hierarchical network

$$L(k) = 1/k^\alpha$$

B) Random network

$$L(k) = e^{-\beta k}$$

# **Physical systems**

Deterministic in Euclidean spaces (infinite information)

Symmetries in Euclidean spaces

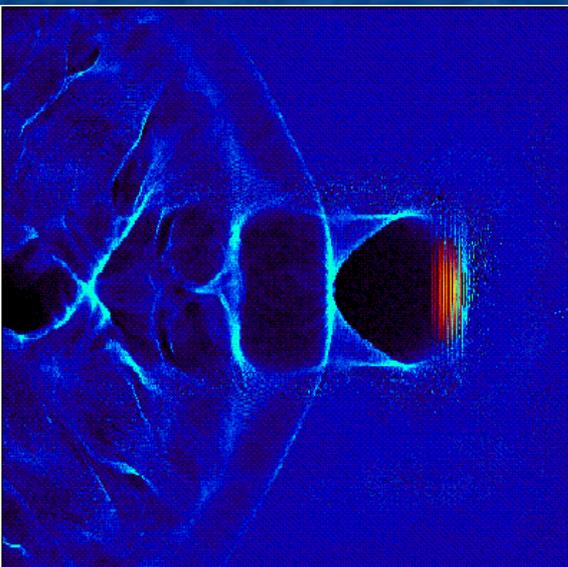
Simple elementary units (point mass)

Environment is optional

Few scales

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The emergence of self organized structures due to coherencence on time scales short with respect to the collisional relaxation times



Plasma wave breaking

Spiral galaxy

Clusters

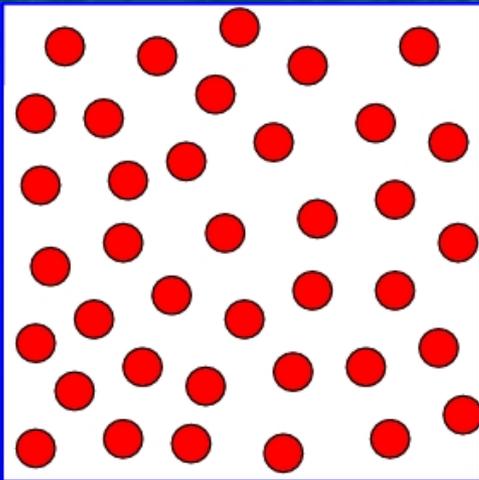
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## Transition to complexity

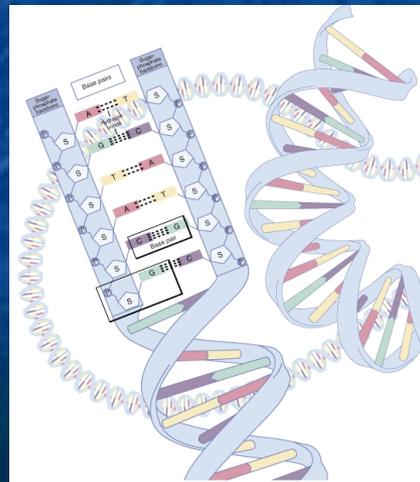
Occurs via **information** coding. The elementary unit is the Von Neumann automaton

Theorem I There exist self replicating automata

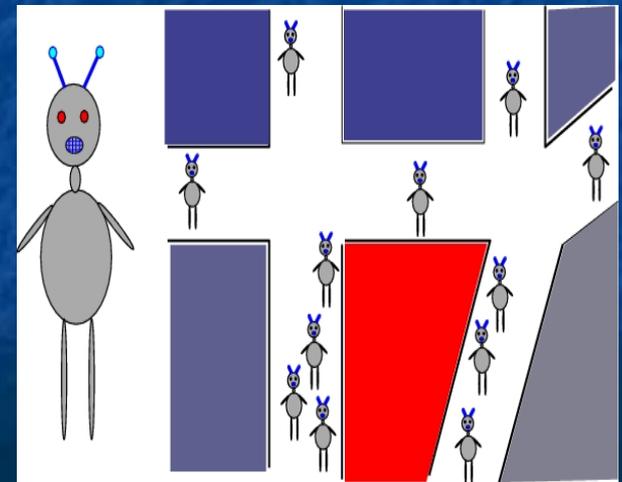
Theorem II Robust automata can be assembled with unreliable components



Gas of atoms



Information coding



Gas of automata

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**Weak chaos:** predicatbility and reversibility

Return time spectra and correlations decay

Toy models

**Numerical experiments:** round off arithmetics.

**Irreversibility** of numerical experiments with symplectic maps.

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**Information** on phase space localization of a classical system is **finite**. Measurements perturb classical systems. Infinite accuracy requires infinite **energy**.

**Computer simulations** are close to physical reality. Irreversibility is intrinsic due to **limited information**

**Langevin** test particle models in  $\mathbf{R}^d$  should have a small noise for round off plus a collisional noise.

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## 1 N body simulations and continuum limit

Such limit of N body system is still open question

- Fluid limit ( $T=0$ )
- Mean field limit ( $T>0$ )
- Kinetic limit (collisional)

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## Short range forces

The Grad limit  $N \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\sigma \rightarrow 0$  with  $N \sigma = 1/\lambda$  constant leads for hard spheres  $\sigma = \pi R^2$  to the Boltzmann's equation

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + [f, \mathbf{p}^2/2 + V(\mathbf{r})] = J(f, f) \quad f = f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) \quad \text{Kinetic}$$

The moments of these equations provide the continuity and Navier Stokes equation after closure

$$n(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) d\mathbf{p} \quad \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}, t) = n^{-1} \int \mathbf{p} f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) d\mathbf{p} \quad \text{Fluid}$$

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## Long range forces (Coulomb oscillators)

Their distinctive property is the generation of a **self field**.

The charge fluctuations in a charged or neutral plasma generate a field **self screened** supposing local thermodynamical equilibrium.

$$V(r) = Q r^{-1} e^{-r/r_D} \quad r_D = kT / (4\pi e^2 n_0^2)$$

where  $r_D$  is the **Debye radius**.

The electrostatic force on a charge, confined by a **linear attracting field**, is the sum of a **near field** and a **far field**

$$V_{\text{near}}(r) = \sum_{i, r_i < r_D} e^2 |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_i|^{-1} \quad V_{\text{far}}(r) = \sum_{i, r_i > r_D} e^2 |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_i|^{-1}$$

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**Electrostatic case.** The Hamiltonian of the system reads

$$H_{\text{tot}} = m \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \frac{\mathbf{p}_i^2}{2m} + \frac{\omega_0^2 \mathbf{r}_i^2}{2} + \frac{\xi}{(2N)^{-1}} \sum_{i \neq j} r_{ij}^{-1} \right]$$

$\xi = Q^2/M$

where  $M=Nm$  and  $Q=Ne$  are the total charge and mass, fixed as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . In this limit we assume the charge density to become continuous. After the scaling  $H_{\text{tot}}/m \rightarrow H_{\text{tot}}$ ,  $\mathbf{p}/m \rightarrow \mathbf{p}$

$$H_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{i=1}^N H(\mathbf{r}_i, \mathbf{p}_i) \quad H(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2} + \frac{\omega_0^2 \mathbf{r}^2}{2} + \xi V(\mathbf{r})$$

The phase space distribution  $f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t)$  satisfies Liouville + Poisson (Vlasov) equation as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . A proof is given by Kiessling

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**Main result** In the limit  $N \rightarrow \infty$  the collisional part can be ignored,

For a 2D model  $r^{-1} \rightarrow \log r$  we have shown (C. Bendetti, G. Turchetti J. Phys. A **364**, 197 (2006) ) by **very accurate integration** of the N body Hamilton's equations, that the **relaxation time scales as N**. It agrees with 2D Landau's Kinetic theory, which has same scaling in the 3D case.

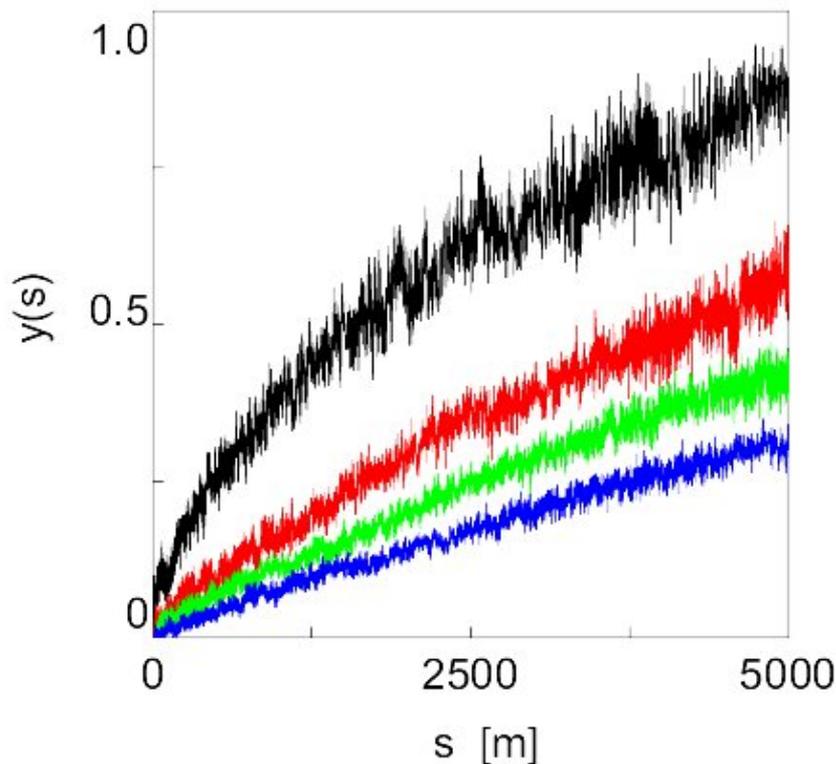
**Vlasov mean field equilibria** Given any stationary distribution  $f = f(H)$  the collisions drive it to the Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution  $f_{MB} = c e^{-H/kT}$  with a self consistent potential  $V$ .

The KV distribution  $f = c \delta(H - E)$  gives a uniformly charged cylinder of radius  $R$ .

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**Collisions** Numerical simulation with  $N = (1,2,3,4) \times 10^3$  fitted with  $n = n_0 e^{-\alpha s} + n_{MB} (1 - e^{-\alpha s})$  where  $s = \alpha N = 1/3$ ,  $s = v_0 t$  and  $\tau = v_0/a$

**C. Benedetti**



N	N $\alpha$
$10^3$	0.31
$2 \cdot 10^3$	0.30
$3 \cdot 10^3$	0.33
$4 \cdot 10^3$	0.32
$5 \cdot 10^3$	0.32

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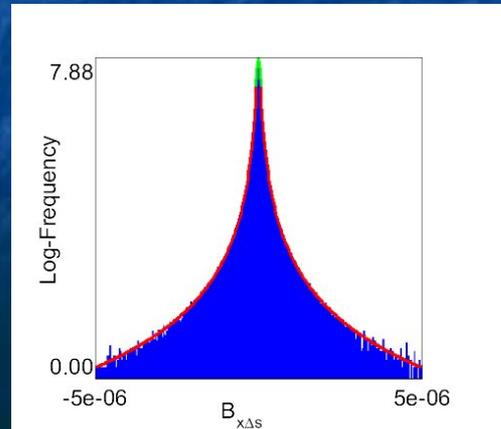
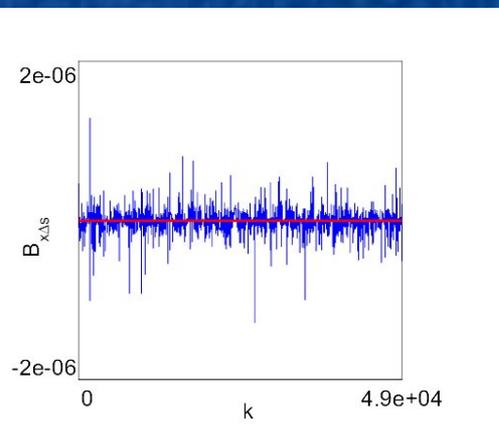
## Collisions as a random process.

In Landau's theory collisions are assumed to be frequent, small angle, binary and independent. Letting  $w(s)$  be a Wiener noise the equations of motion are

$$d\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{p} ds \quad d\mathbf{p} = - \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{r}} ds + (d\mathbf{p})_{\text{coll}}$$

$$(d\mathbf{p})_{\text{coll}} = \mathbf{K} ds + D^{1/2} dw(s) \quad \mathbf{K} = \left\langle \frac{d(\mathbf{p})_{\text{coll}}}{ds} \right\rangle \quad D_{ij} = \left\langle \frac{(d\mathbf{p}_i)_{\text{coll}} d(\mathbf{p}_j)_{\text{coll}}}{ds} \right\rangle$$

## Slow decay of p.d.f. due to rare hard collisions



From the time series analysis the momentum jumps p.d.f. has a power law decay as

$$\rho(\Delta p_x) = c (\Delta p_x)^{-4} \quad x \rightarrow y$$

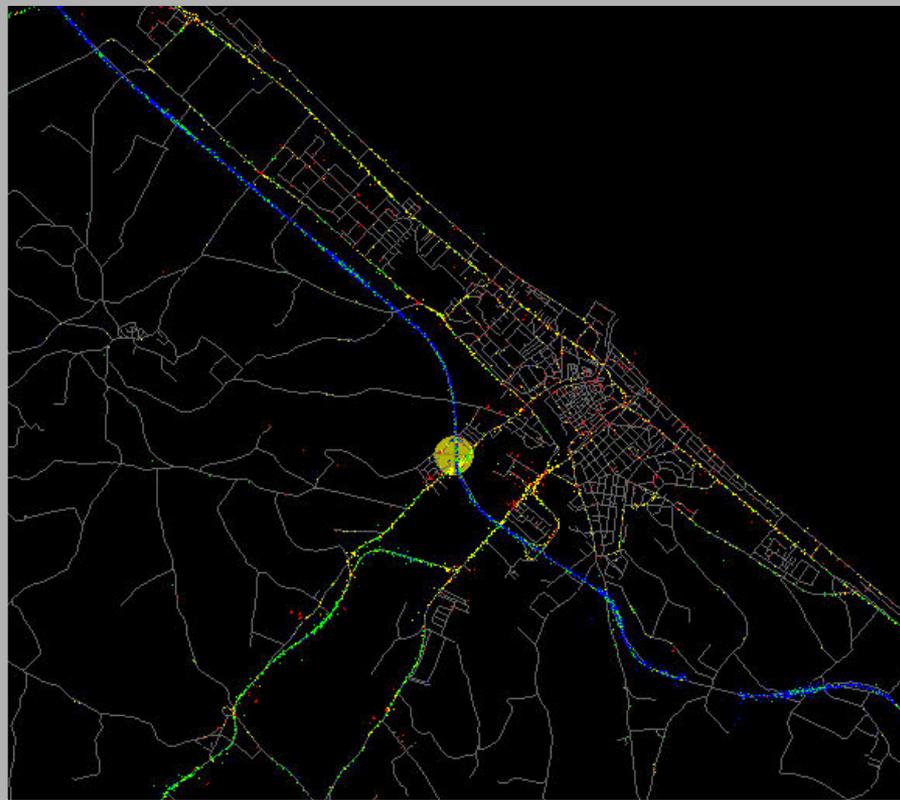
can be fitted with a **Student**

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## ■ The complex systems

Automata on a network: physical 1D dynamics (car following and safety distance) cognitive dynamics (decisions at crossings) right

Space based acquisition data system (GPS) left



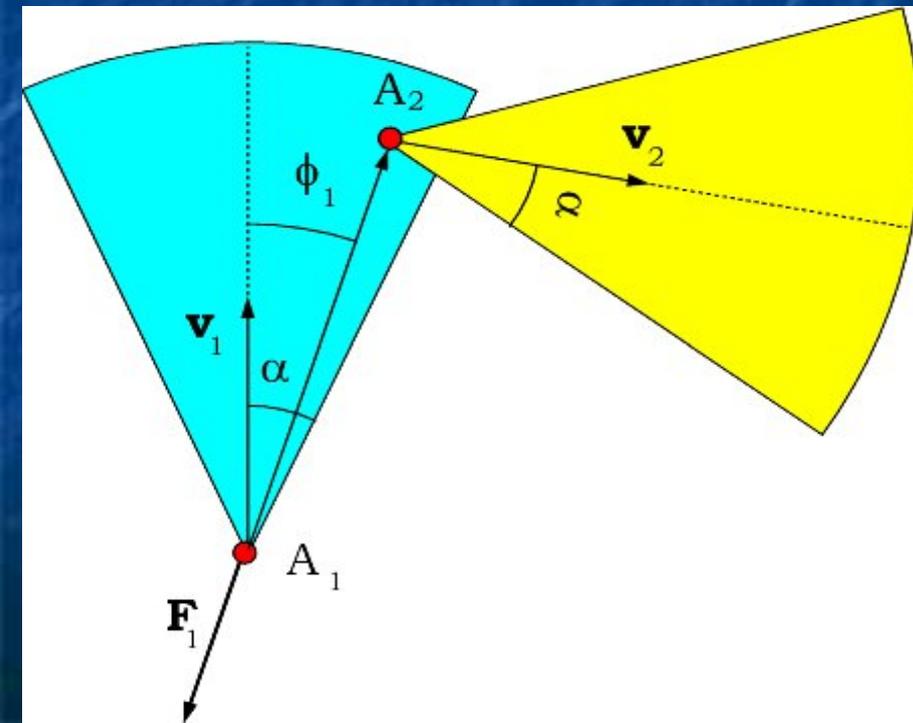
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## Automata based models for pedestrian mobility

- **Model 1** Two automata interact with a long range repulsive (Coulomb) force within a sight cone. Reduced to quadratures (Turchetti, Zanlungo)

$$\mathbf{F}_1 = -\omega^2 \mathbf{r}_1 + (\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) / r_{12} q(C_{12}) \quad C_{12} = \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) - v_1 r_{12} \cos \alpha$$

For  $\alpha = 0$  the symmetry  $1 \leftrightarrow 2$  is lost, and 3-rd principle breaks



## Model 2 Theory fo mind

Based on recursive thinking. At order zero free uniform motion. At order 1 any automaton sees order 0 automata and avoids collisions accordingly.

Genetic selection allows successful collision avoiding rules (Zanlungo)

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## 2 Strong and weak chaos asymptotics

### Local and global dynamical indicators

- Lyapounov exponent  $\lambda(\underline{x})$  or reversibility error  $h(\underline{x})$  are **local**
- The spectrum of Poincaré recurrences  $F(t, \underline{x})$  is **semi-local**

**Limit cases:** integrable and uniformly hyperbolic systems

- **Weak chaos:** borderline from integrability to strong chaos

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## Poincaré recurrences.

Given an invertible map  $M$  defined on a set  $\Omega$  with an invariant measure  $\mu$   
The first return time in the neighborhood of a point  $x$  in  $\Omega$  is given by

$$\tau(x, A) = \inf_{n>0} (x \text{ in } A, M^n(x) \text{ in } A)$$

**Kac's theorem**; the average return time in  $A$  for an ergodic system is

$$\langle \tau_A \rangle = 1/\mu(A)$$

The **spectrum** of recurrences is given by

$$F(t) = \lim_{\mu(A) \rightarrow 0} F_A(t) \quad F_A(t) = \mu(A_{>t}) / \mu(A)$$

$$A_{>t} = (x \text{ in } A, \tau(x, A) > t < \tau_A >)$$

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## Mixing systems

Exponential spectrum for

$$F(t) = e^{-t} \quad \text{generic points} \quad F(t) = e^{-\lambda t} \quad \text{periodic points}$$

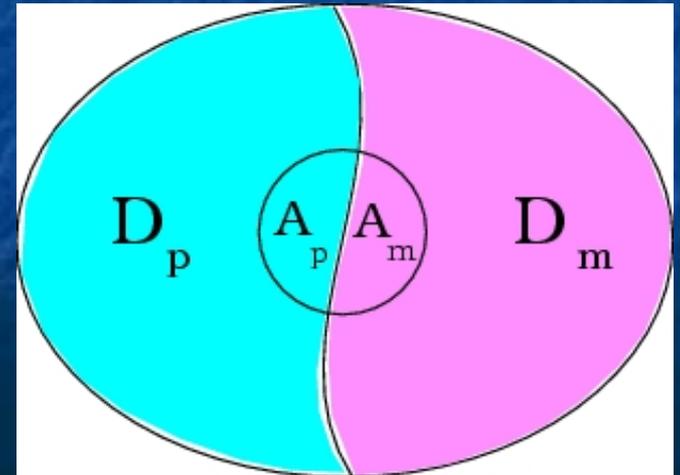
## Integrable systems

$$F(t) = C t^{-2}$$

Transition systems:  $A = A_p \cup A_m$

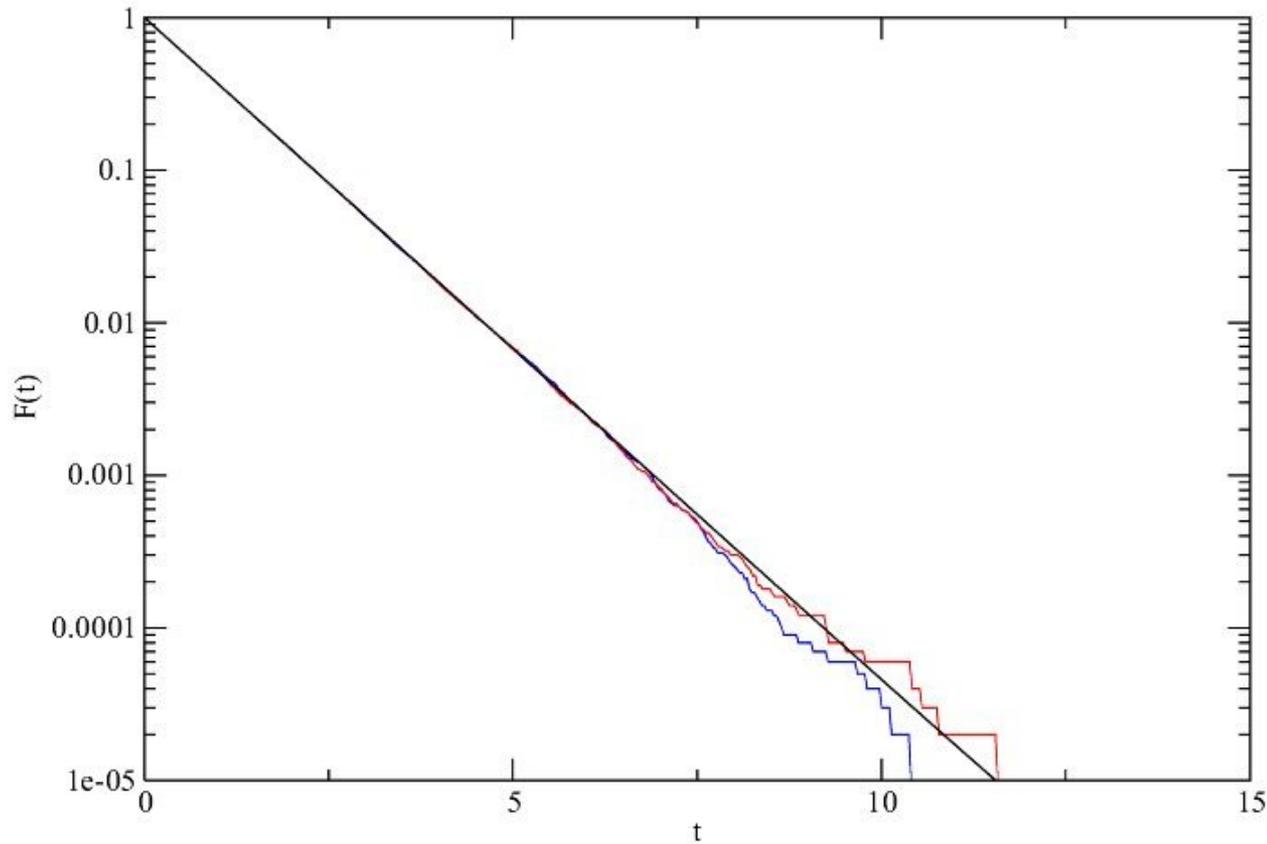
$$F(t) = p_m F_{A_m}(k_m t) + p_p F_{A_p}(k_p t)$$

$$k = \langle t \rangle / \langle t \rangle \quad p \equiv \mu(A_p) / \mu(A)$$



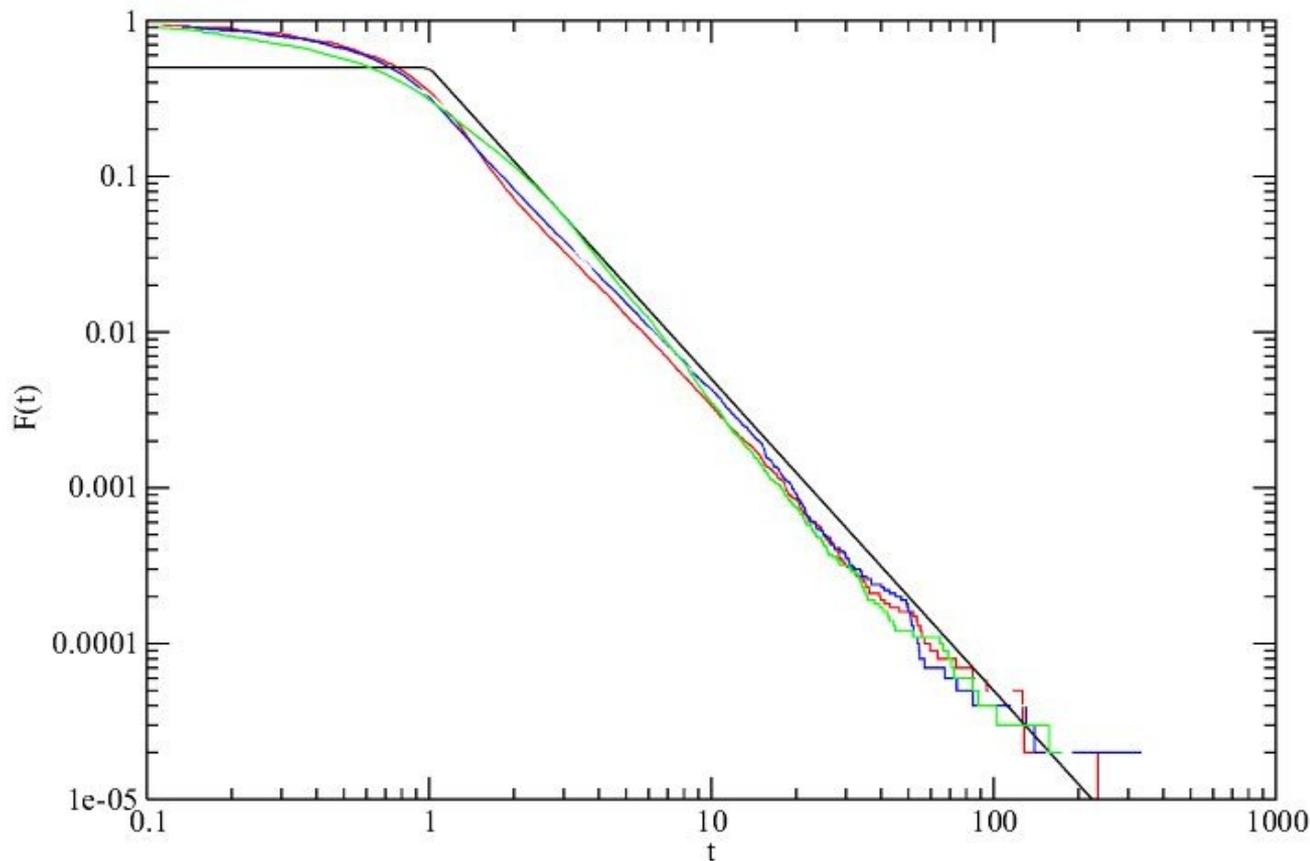
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Standard map  $\lambda = 8$  (red), cat map (blue),  $e^{-t}$  (black)



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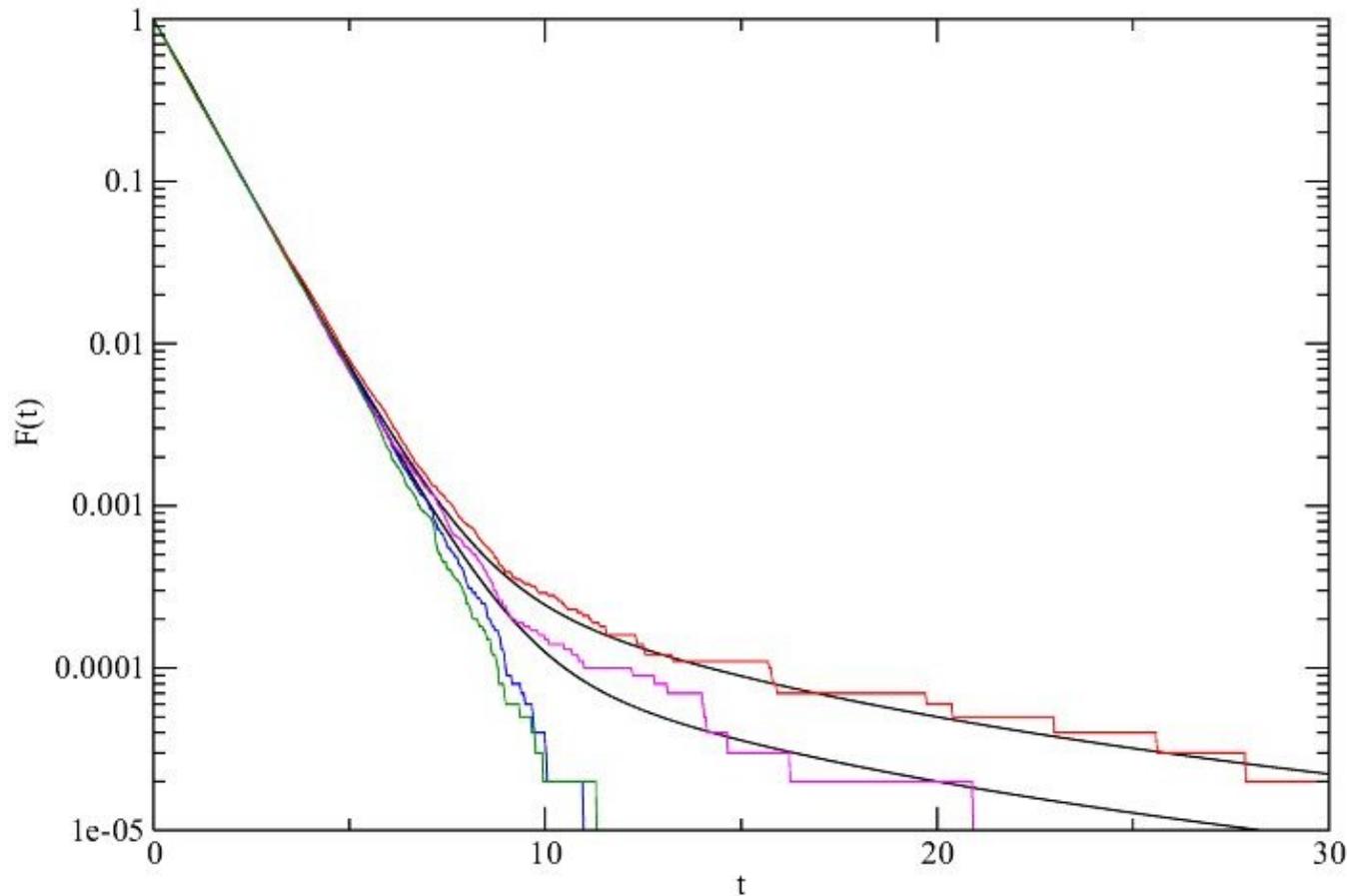
Standard map for  $\lambda = 0.2, 0.5, 0.9$  (initial point in integrable region)  
black analytical solution decay as  $t^{-2}$



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Standard map at the edge of the chaotic region

$\lambda = 2, 3, 4, 5$  (red, blue, purple, green). Black curve  $F(t) = p e^{-t} + (1-p) t^{-2}$



## 3 Finite information and round off

- The reversibility error.
- Iterating forward and backwards a map one does not come back to the initial points.
- The round off causes an error since it acts as a noise and renders the map irreversible

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## ■ The computer arithmetics (D. Knuth *The art of comp. Progr.* Vol 2)

The base  $b$  excess  $q$  representation of a real number  $x$  is  $x_*$  where

$$x_* = (e, f) = f b^{e-q} = x [1 + \delta_p(x)] \quad |f| < 1 \quad |\delta_p| < b^{1-p}$$

where  $f$  is a **signed fraction** and  $0 \leq e < 2q$ .

In a computer  $b=2$ ,  $q=32$  and  $0 \leq e < 63$  and  $f = n 2^{-24}$  where  $0 < n < 2^{24}$  in the 4 bytes representation (simple precision).

Three bytes used for  $f$  and one byte for  $e$  and in base 10 representation

$$x_* = + 0.d_1 d_2 \dots d_7 10^{+E} \quad E < 32$$

The arithmetic operations involve round off

$$z = x + y \rightarrow x_* \oplus y_* = (e_x, f) = z [1 + \delta_p(z)] \quad f = \text{round} (f_x + f_y b^{e_y - e_x})$$

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## Orbits and pseudo-orbits

The round off acts as a random perturbation and breaks the Reversibility. Supposing  $M(x)$  is an invertible map  $M^{-1} \circ M = I$ .

Letting  $M_*(x_*) = \text{round} ( M(x_*) )$  and  $M_*^{-1}(x_*) = \text{round} ( M^{-1}(x_*) )$

$$M_*^{-1} \circ M_* = I + \varepsilon$$

The reversibility error at a point  $x=x_*(1+\delta)$  is defined as

$$\varepsilon(n) = | M_*^{-n} \circ M_*^n(x_*) - x_* |$$

This is basically the same as the round off error on the orbit

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- Let  $\xi$  be the round off error on the map be

$$M_*(x_*) = M(x_*) (1 + \xi(x_*)) \quad |\xi| < c b^{-p} \quad |x - x^*| < b^{1-p}$$

The round off error on the trajectory setting  $x_{*n} = M^n(x_*)$

$$\eta(n) = |M^n(x) - M_*^n(x_*)| < |DM^n(x_*)| |x - x_*| + x_{*n} \xi(x_{*n-1})$$

$$+ \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n-1} |DM^k(x_{*n-k})| x_{*n-k} \xi(x_{*n-k-1}) + O(|\xi|^2)$$

If the map is ergodic it is not hard to prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta(i) < \lambda \quad \text{maximum Lyapounov exponent}$$

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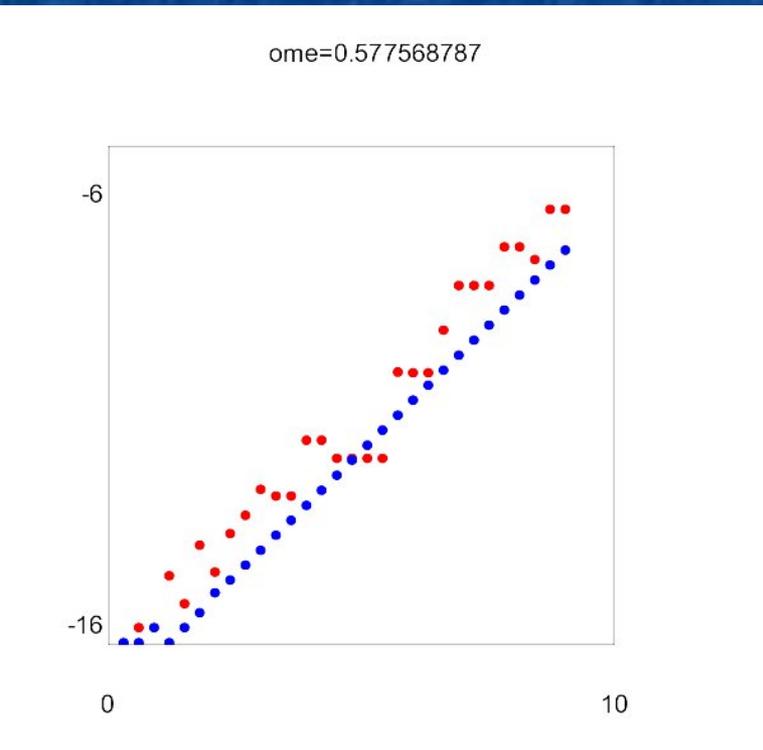
The simplest examples are the maps on the torus  $T^1$

i) 
$$M(x) = x + \omega \pmod{1}$$

Iterating  $n = b^k$  times ( $b$  base), we have  $p-n$  digits after round off of  $x + b^n$

Figure:  $\log_{10} \eta$  vs  $\log_{10} n$

$$\eta(b^k) = b^{-(p-k)}$$



ii) 
$$M(x) = q x \pmod{1} \quad q \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Choosing  $b=q$  at every step one digit is lost

$$\eta(k) = q^{-(p-k)}$$

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- The reversibility error  $\varepsilon(n)$  is about the same as the round off error  $\eta(2n)$  for the same initial point

$$\varepsilon(n) \approx \eta(2n)$$

For an integrable map (i.e. translation on the torus)

$$\text{Log } \eta(n) = \log n - p \text{Log } b$$

For an hyperbolic map

$$\text{Log } \eta(k) = k \lambda - p \text{Log } b$$

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## Other model maps

### Elliptic maps

$$\mathbf{x}' = R \left( 2\pi \nu + 2\pi^2 \mathbf{x}^2 \right)$$

$\mathbf{x} = (x, y)$  rotation in  $R^2$

$$\begin{aligned} X' &= X + \nu + Y \pmod{1} \\ Y' &= Y \end{aligned}$$

map on cylinder  $T \times R$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= (Y/\pi)^{1/2} \cos(2\pi X) \\ y &= (Y/\pi)^{1/2} \sin(2\pi X) \end{aligned}$$

change of coordinates  
from  $R^2$  to  $T \times R$

### Hyperbolic maps

$$\mathbf{x}' = R_H \left( 2\pi \nu + 2\pi^2 \mathbf{x}^2 \right)$$

hyperbolic rotation in  $R^2$

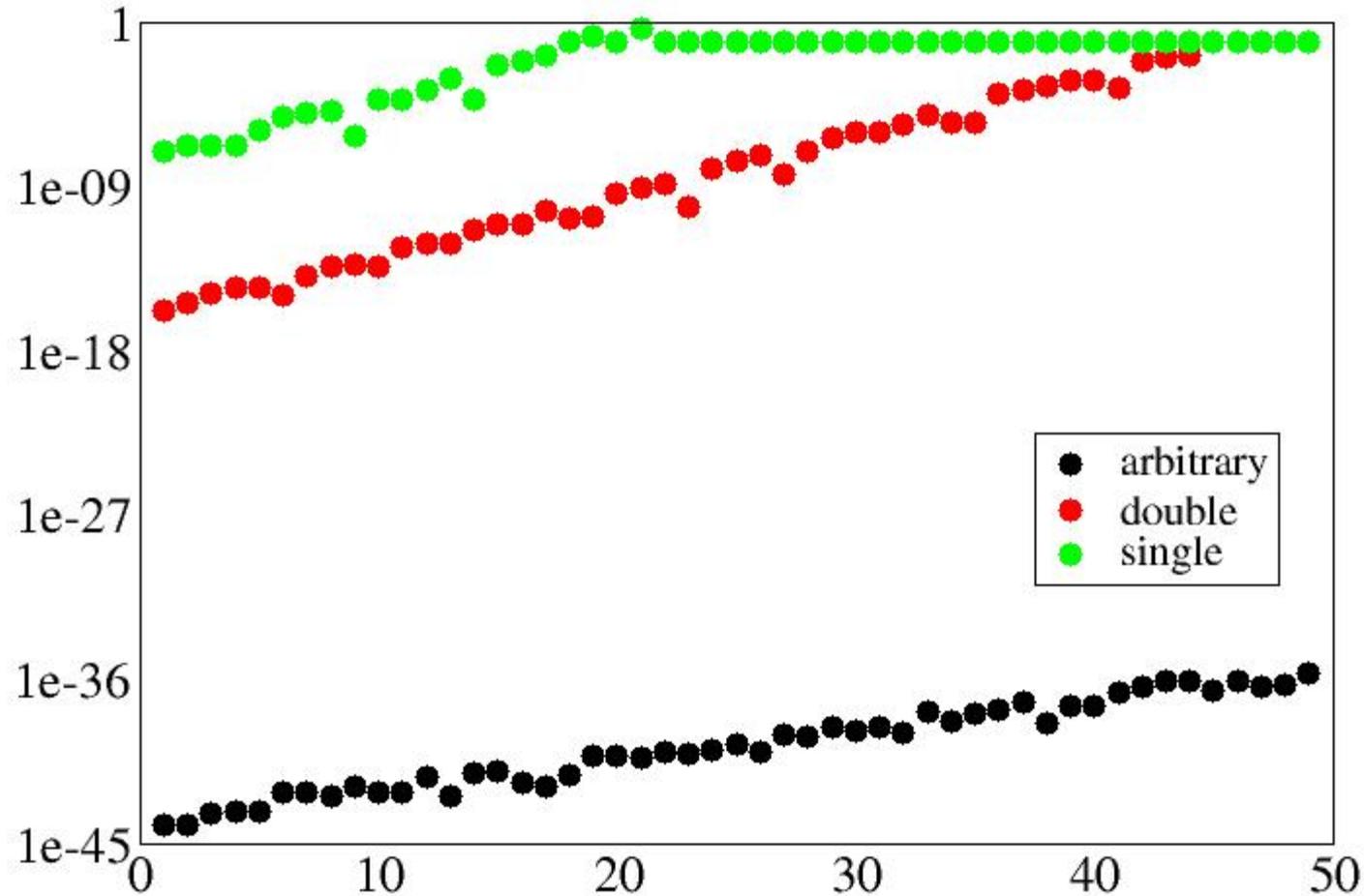
$$\begin{aligned} x' &= (q+1)x + y \pmod{1} \\ y' &= qx + y \pmod{1} \end{aligned}$$

*hyperbolic automorphism of  $T^2$*

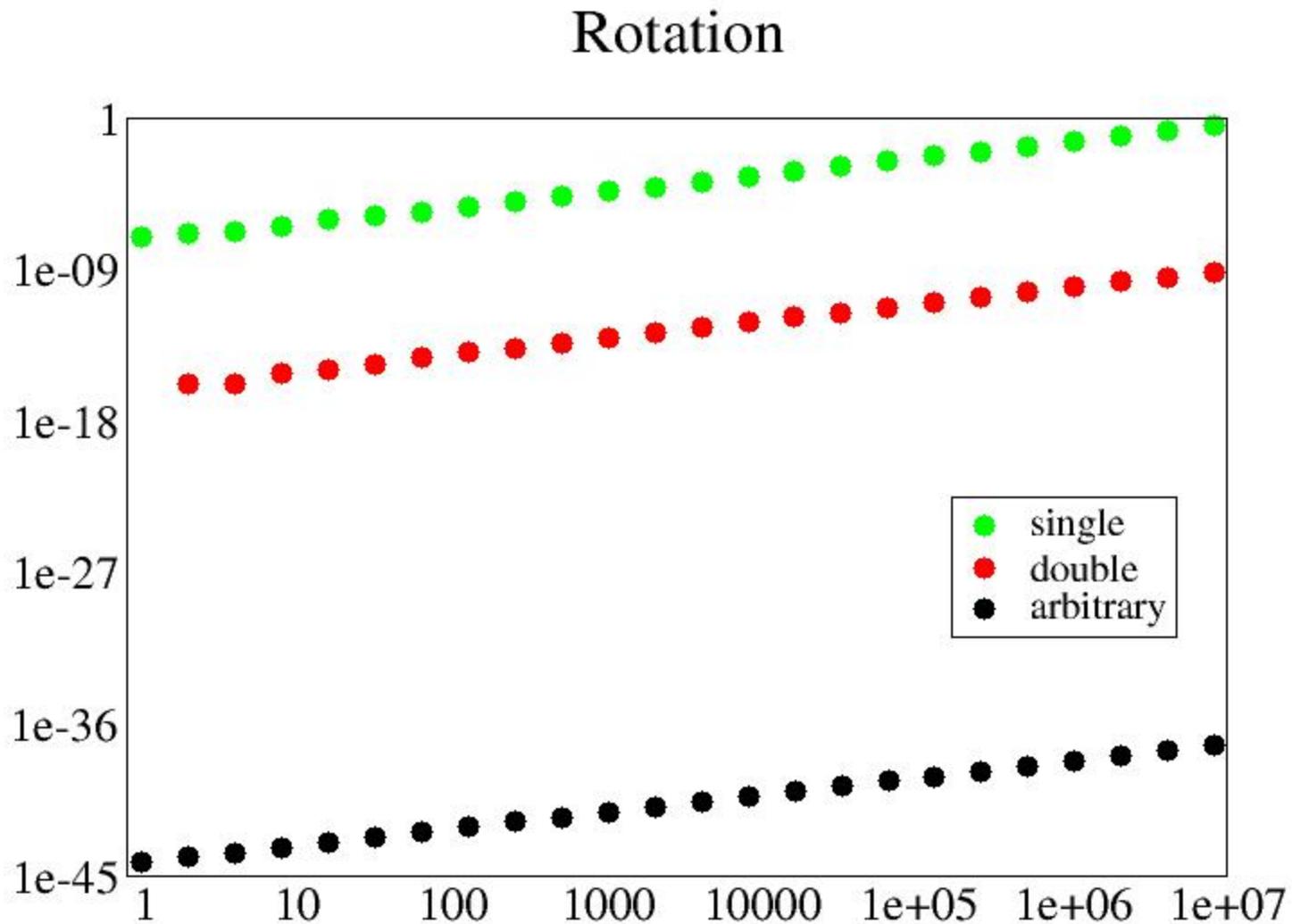
Small perturbations of these maps (Cirikov and Henon maps)

# Nonlinearity, noise and information

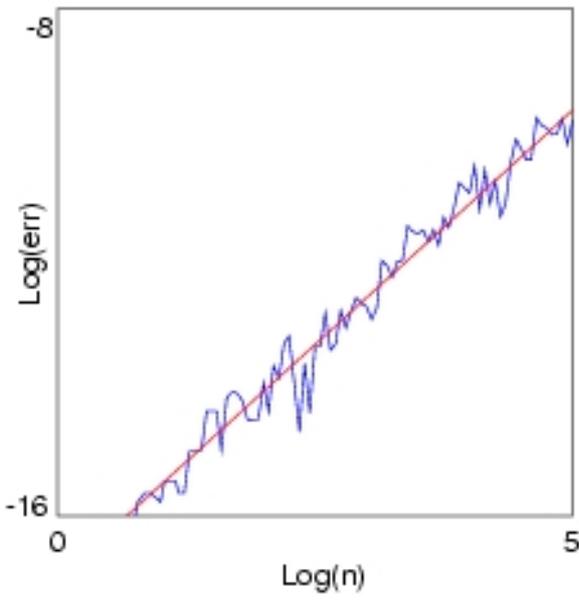
## Iperbolic Rotation



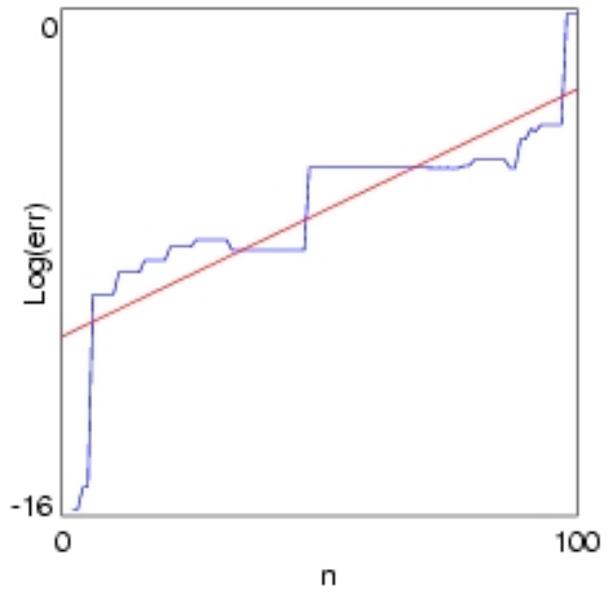
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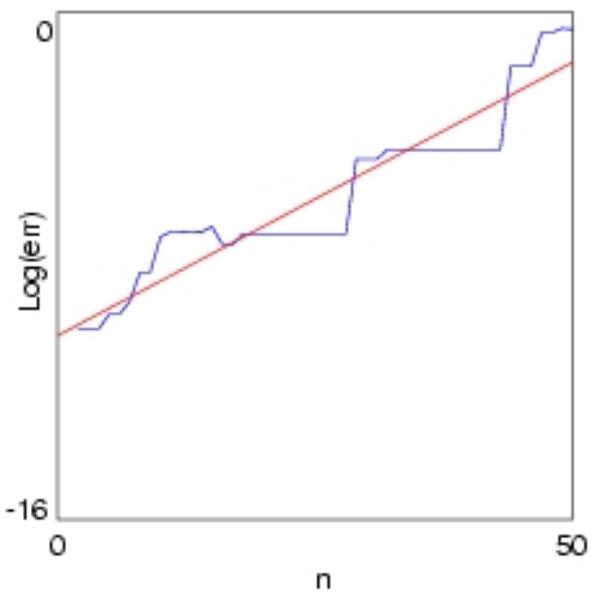
Stand. map  $k=0.5$



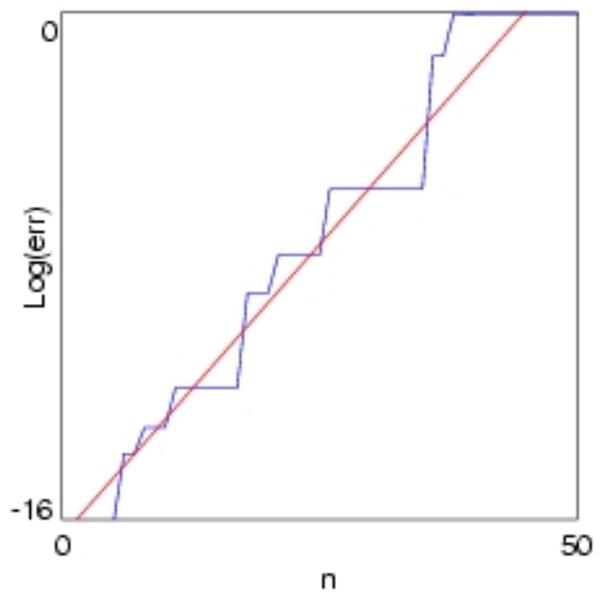
Stand. map  $k=1$



Stand. map  $k=2$



Cat map



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## ■ Pdf of the pseudo-orbit and orbit distance

Given any smooth function  $f(x)$  we consider the random variable

$$\Delta_f(x, n) = f(M^n(x)) - f(M_*^n(x))$$

function of the random process  $\xi$  since  $M_*(x) = M(x) + \varepsilon \xi$ .

Let  $\rho$  be the pdf of this process

$$F(t) = E(\Delta_f(x, n) < t) \quad \rho(t) = F'(t)$$

The characteristic function of  $\Delta_f(x, n)$  for  $n \rightarrow \infty$  using the fidelity theorem is

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(e^{ik \Delta_f(x, n)}) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int \exp(ikf(M^n(x))) \exp(ikf(M_*^n(x))) d\mu(x) d\theta_1(\xi) \dots d\theta_n(\xi) = \\ &= \int e^{ikf(M(x))} d\mu(x) \int e^{ikf(M(x))} d\mu_\varepsilon(x) \end{aligned}$$

If the map is ergodic and  $\xi$  stationary the last means can be written as limit

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After the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$  the limit  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  can be taken. In this case the distribution  $\rho_\varepsilon(t)$  has a limit  $\rho(t) = \rho(-t)$ . The symmetry follows from

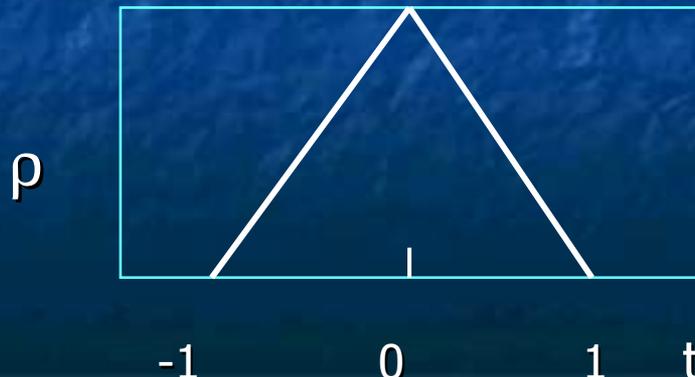
$$E(\Delta_f(\infty, \varepsilon)) = \int f(x) d\mu(x) - \int f(x) d\mu_\varepsilon(x) = \int t \rho_\varepsilon(t) dt$$

whose  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  limit vanishes. As the possible simplest example we consider

$$M(x) = qx \bmod 1 \quad q \text{ integer} \quad m(x) = \mu(x) = x$$

$$\int e^{ikM(x)} dx = \frac{2}{k} \sin k/2$$

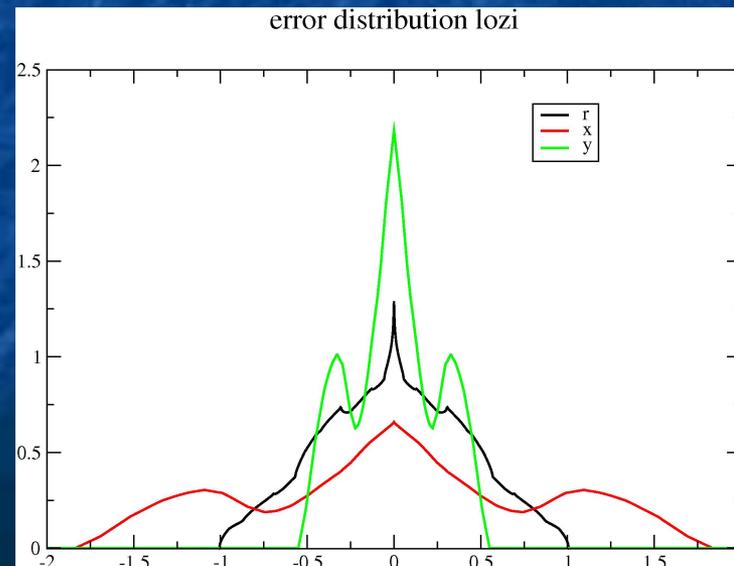
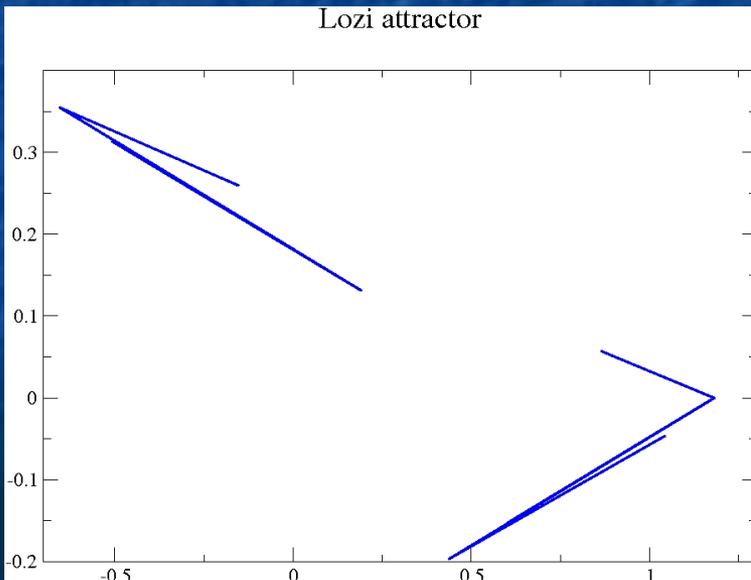
$$\rho(t) = (1-|t|) \Theta(1-|t|)$$



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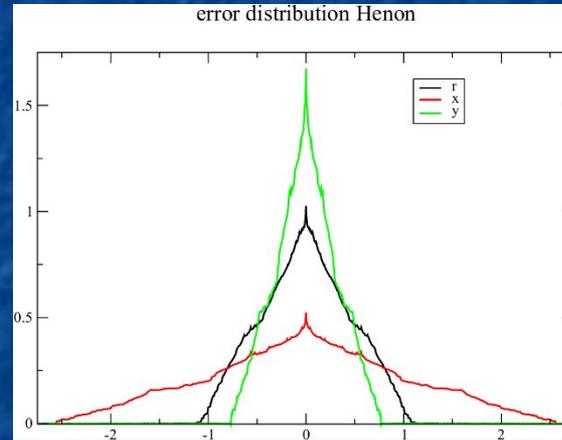
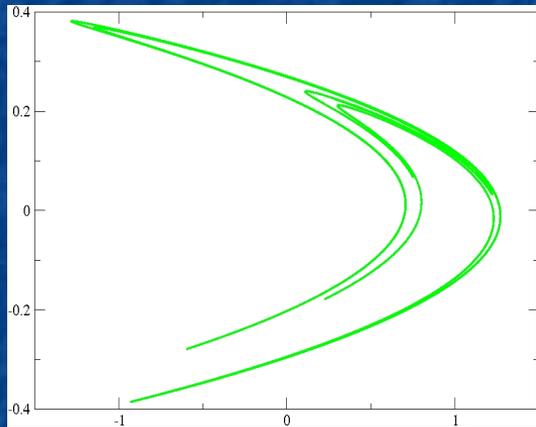
Numerical investigations were performed on strange attractors generated by Baker's, Lozi and Henon map. The triangular distribution changes into

Symmetric distributions peaked at  $t=0$  which reflect the attractor nature and its topology. The  $R \times C_{\text{antor}}$  structure of Baker's attractor reflects into a continuous-singular measure  $F(t)$  for the orbit-pseudorbit fluctuations.



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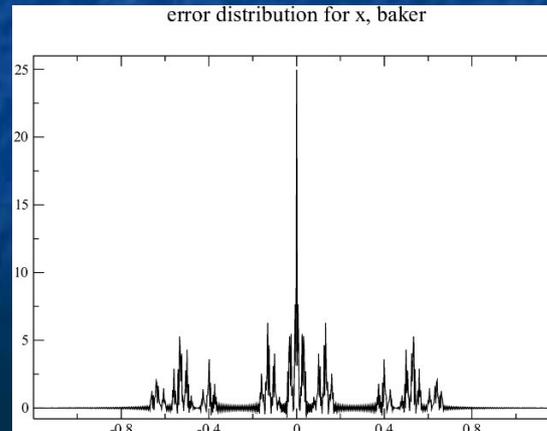
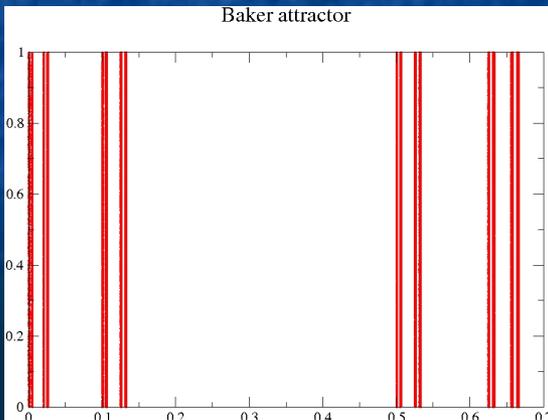
Hénon attractor and p.d.f.  $\rho(t)$ ,  $f(x)=x$



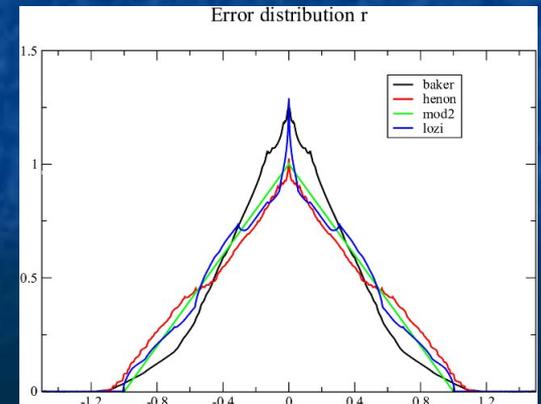
The error p.d.f.  $r(t)$  has a similar structure for the different attractors.

The choice  $f(x,y)=r$ ,  $r=(x^2+y^2)^{1/2}$  mediates the smooth structure of leaves and the transverse Cantor structure (see baker's)

Baker's attractor and p.d.f.  $\rho(t)$  and  $f(x)=x$



Comparison of  $\rho(t)$



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## The other face of information (Dr. Jeckil and Mr Hide)

Coding allows to write projects. Energetically writing a code is **cheap** compared to assembling the whole structure

In the physical world the information is finite. Position determinacy is limited by the atomic size.

Measurements disturb also the classical state.

A computer simulation, based on finite information, is close to physics.

Computer round off is equivalent to add noise in the equations defined on  $\mathbb{R}^{2d}$

**Finite information in dyn. sys. = irreversibility**

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## Conclusions

- The theory of dynamical systems has provided the theoretical foundation of non linear phenomena and a way to approach non equilibrium statistical mechanics
- Complex systems require the inclusion of information theory in order to describe the cognitive properties of the elementary units, wich are Von Neumann automata
- The finite information content of the physical world can be described by introducing some background noise. The effect is similar to finite digital computation with round off arithmetics