

Volume-Preserving vs Symplectic Dynamics

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Hamiltonian Flow is Symplectic

- Hamiltonian Dynamics:

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ -I & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{\partial}{\partial p} H$$

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial q} H$$

$$\dot{z} = J\nabla H$$

- Flow φ on $z = (q, p)$

$$z(t) = \varphi_t(z(0)) \Rightarrow D\varphi_t^T J D\varphi_t = J$$

- A map is symplectic if:

$$Df^T J Df = J \quad Df = \frac{\partial(x', y')}{\partial(x, y)}$$

- \Rightarrow preservation of the Poincaré loop action

$$\mathcal{A} = \oint_{\mathcal{L}} p \cdot dq$$

Symplectic Maps

- A map $f(x,y) \rightarrow (x',y')$ is symplectic if

coordinates
momenta

$$Df^T J Df = J$$

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

insert "new" y here!

- Standard (Chirikov-Froeschlé) form on $\mathbb{T}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$

$$x' = x + \Omega(y') \pmod{1}$$

$$y' = y + F(x)$$

Angle-Action Form

- Symplectic only if frequency & force are gradients

$$\Omega(y) = \nabla S(y)$$

$$F(x) = -\nabla V(x)$$

Frequency Map

Force

Symplectic Shears

$$Df^T J Df = J$$

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

- The Chirikov-Froeshlé form is a composition of “shears”

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= s_x \circ s_y(x, y) \\ s_x(x, y) &= (x + \Omega(y), y) \\ s_y(x, y) &= (x, y + F(x)) \end{aligned}$$

- each is symplectic:

$$\begin{aligned} Ds_x^T J Ds_x &= \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ D\Omega^T & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ -I & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & D\Omega \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ -I & D\Omega^T - D\Omega \end{pmatrix} = J \end{aligned}$$

- whenever $D\Omega^T = D\Omega$, $\Rightarrow \Omega = \nabla S$

Note: it is possible to generalize by changing the symplectic form

Volume-Preserving Maps

- A map $f(x,y) \rightarrow (x',y')$ is volume preserving if

$$\det(Df) = 1$$

m actions

- Standard (angle-action) form on $\mathbb{T}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m$

$$x' = x + \Omega(y') \pmod{1}$$

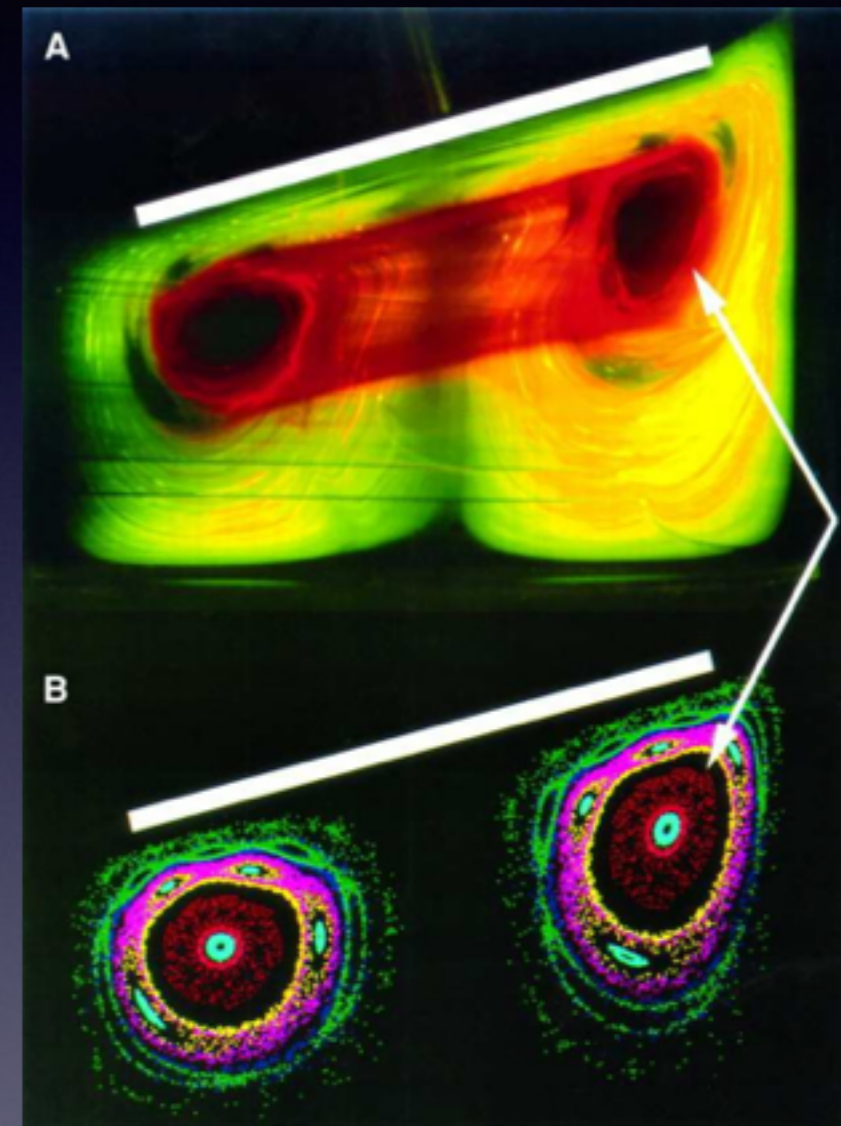
$$y' = y + F(x)$$

Angle-Action Form

- Note: number of angles and actions can be different, $n \neq m$
- Volume preserving for *any* frequency map $\Omega : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^n$
and force $F : \mathbb{T}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

Why Volume-Preserving?

- Mixing (stirring) in incompressible fluids $\nabla \cdot v = 0$
 - Chaotic advection of dye $\dot{x} = v(x, t)$
- Magnetic fields $\nabla \cdot B = 0$
 - stellerators, solar flares, Earth's magnetotail
- 3D is simpler than 4D symplectic case!
- What is the impact of lack of symplecticity on dynamics?



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Curl Forces

- Berry & Shukla note that odes on $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2$ of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= y \\ \dot{y} &= F(x) \end{aligned} \quad \nabla \times F \neq 0$$

arise in dynamics of polarizable particles in a polarized electric field $E(x, y, z) = e^{ikz} \psi(x, y) \hat{e}_p$

$$F(x) = -\nabla |\psi|^2 + a \operatorname{Im}[\psi^* \nabla \psi]$$

- Such systems are incompressible, but non-Hamiltonian.
- Poincaré Maps will be Volume-preserving!

Volume-Preserving Maps

- Examples:

- Chirikov's Standard map (1,1) $(x', y') = (x + y', y - \varepsilon \sin(2\pi x))$

- Froeschlé map (2,2) $(x', y') = (x + y', y - \varepsilon \nabla V(x))$

- Two Angle–One Action Normal form (Rank-One Resonance)

$$\Omega = (\Omega_1(y), \Omega_2(y))$$

$$x'_1 = x_1 + y' + \gamma$$

$$x'_2 = x_2 + \beta y'^2 - \delta$$

$$y' = y - \varepsilon [\sin(2\pi x_1) + \sin(2\pi x_2) + \sin(2\pi(x_1 - x_2))]$$

Invariant Tori

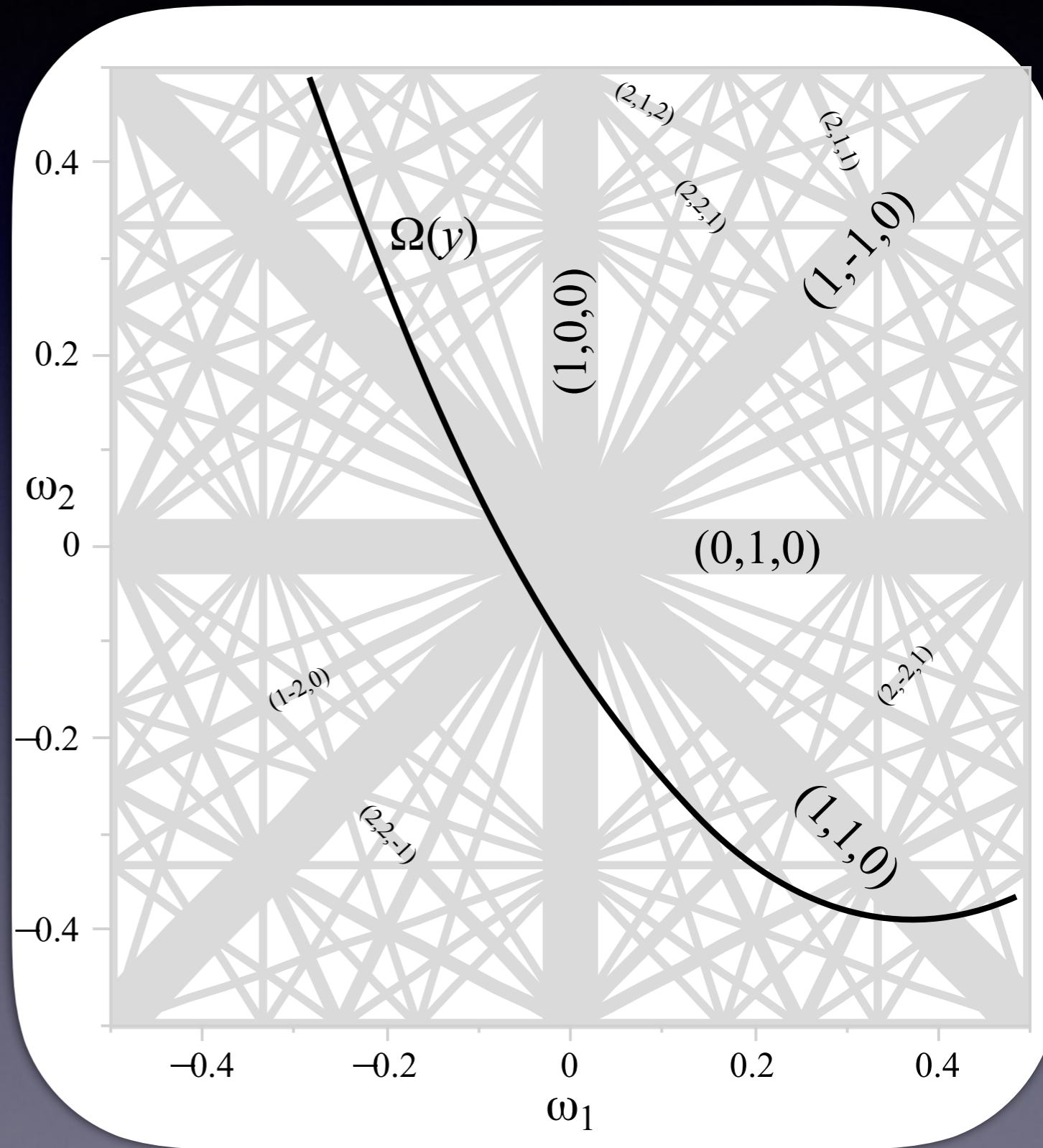
Frequency Map

$(n,m) = (2,1)$

- Tori exist only where “true” frequency map crosses incommensurate frequency vectors
- To fix frequency: add a parameter:

$$\Omega(y,\delta) \rightarrow (\omega_1, \omega_2)$$

$$\Omega(y,\delta) = (y + \gamma, \beta y^2 - \delta)$$



Volume-Preserving KAM

- Xia & Cheng/Sun: For one-action case: A Cantor set of codimension-one, Diophantine ($c > 0, s \geq 2$)

$$|p \cdot \omega - q| > \frac{c}{|p|^s} \quad p \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus 0, q \in \mathbb{Z}$$

tori persist in smooth, volume-preserving families, if Ω satisfies a non-degeneracy (twist) condition

$$\text{rank}(D\Omega, D^2\Omega, \dots, D^n\Omega) = n$$

i.e., *Kolmogorov nondegeneracy*.

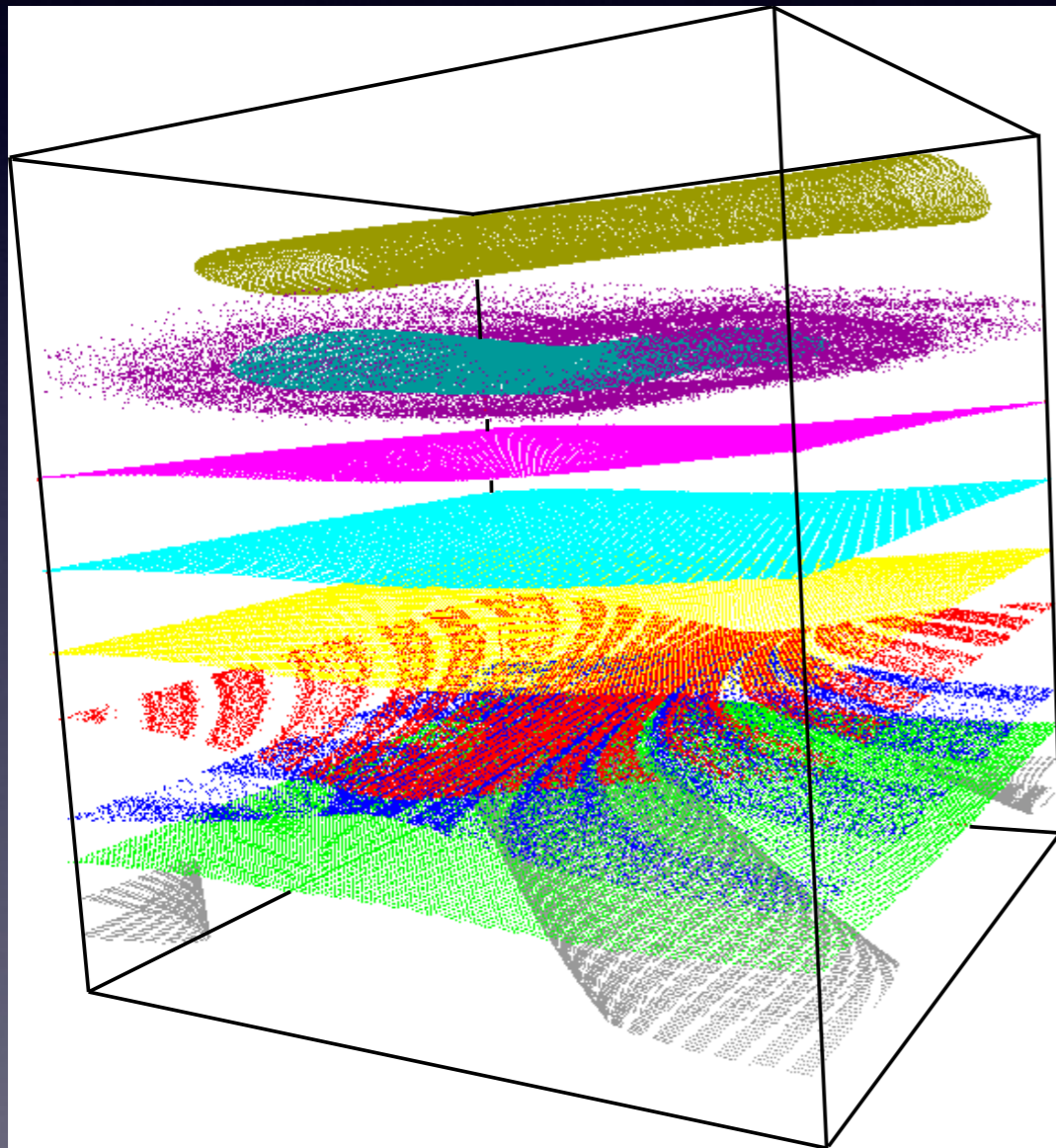
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Tori act as Barriers

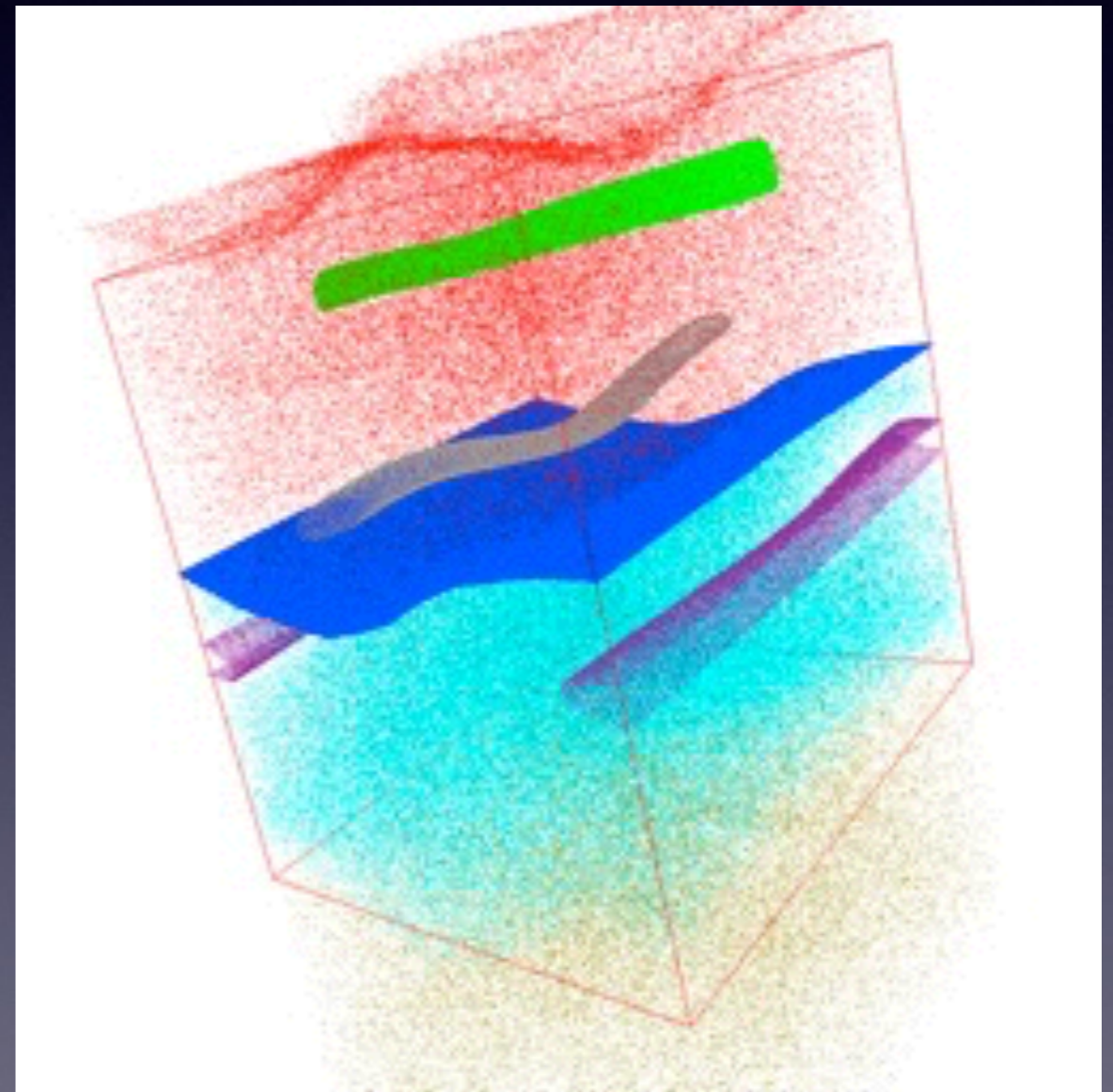
Many rotational tori



$$\varepsilon = 0.005$$

$$\beta = 2, \delta = 0.1, \gamma = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{5})$$

Only one rotational torus



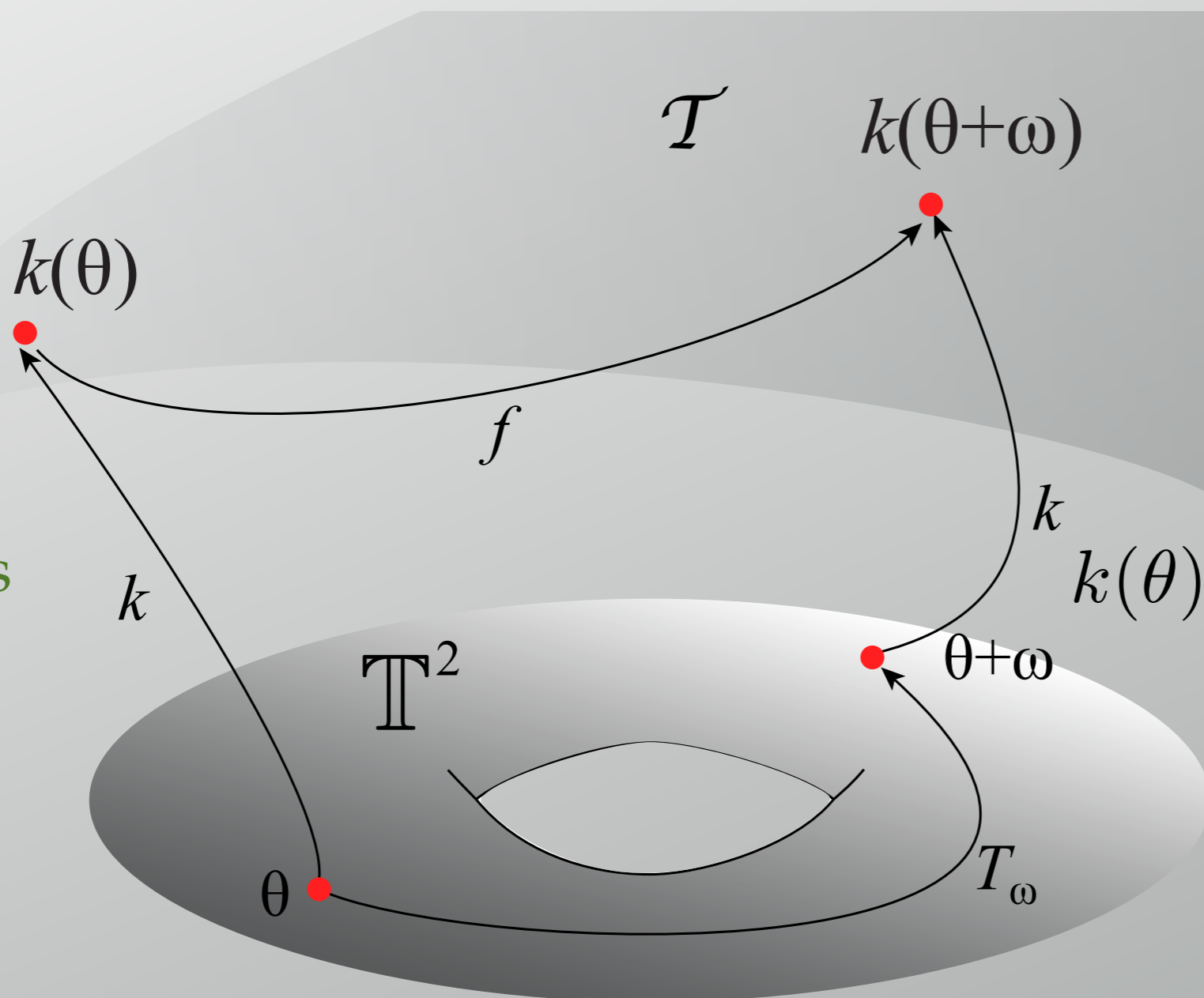
$$\varepsilon = 0.02725$$

Computing Tori: Parameterization

$$f_\lambda(k(\theta)) = k(\theta + \omega)$$

Fixed Rotation Vector

Auxiliary
Parameters



$$k(\theta) = \theta + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^2} \hat{k}_j e^{2\pi i j \cdot \theta}$$

Newton Iteration

- Given an approximate solution, (k, λ) :

$$f_\lambda(k(\theta)) - k(\theta + \omega) = e(\theta) = e(\theta)$$

error e

- Compute correction (Δ, ζ) :

$$k(\theta) \rightarrow k(\theta) + \Delta(\theta)$$

$$\lambda \rightarrow \lambda + \zeta$$

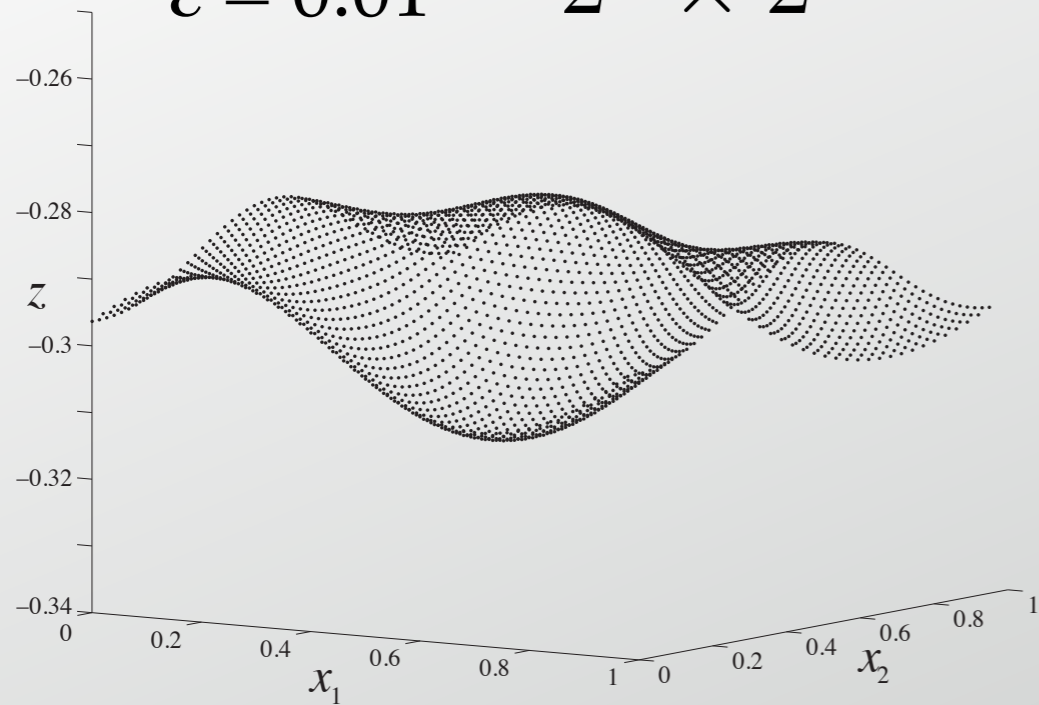
- Iterative equation

$$\Delta(\theta + \omega) - Df(k(\theta))\Delta(\theta) = e(\theta) + D_\lambda f(k(\theta))\zeta,$$

- Solved using FFT and “*automatic reducibility*”

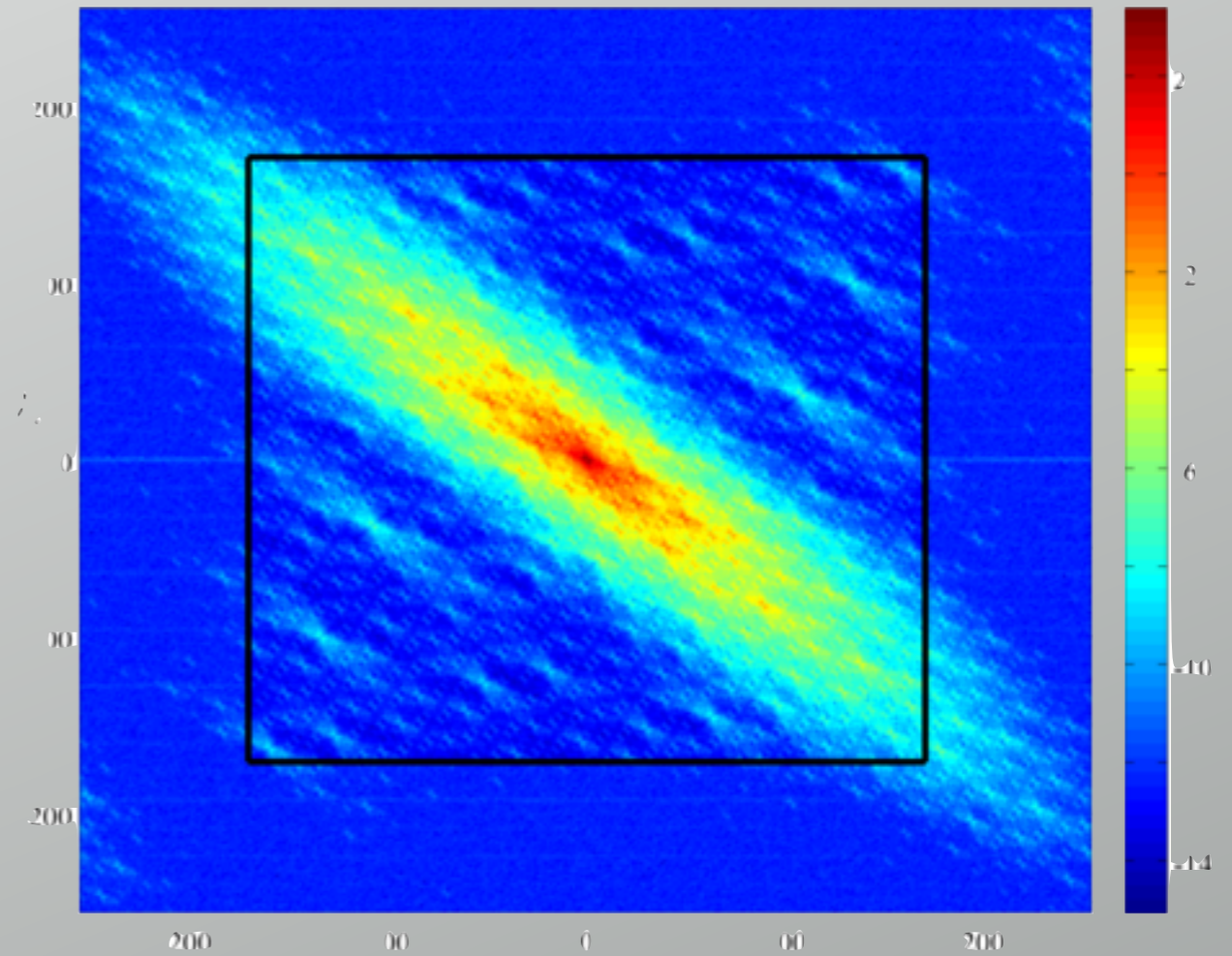
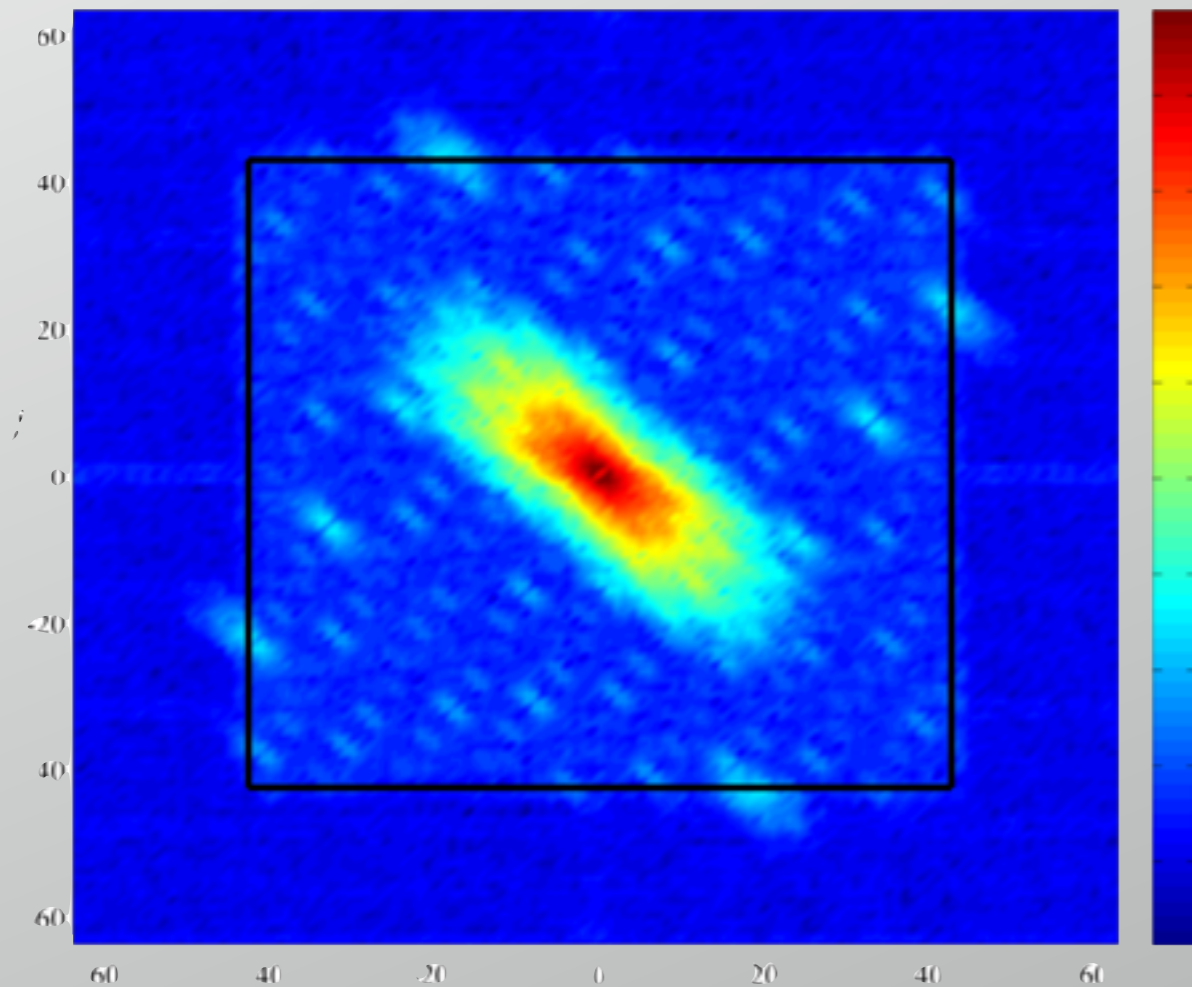
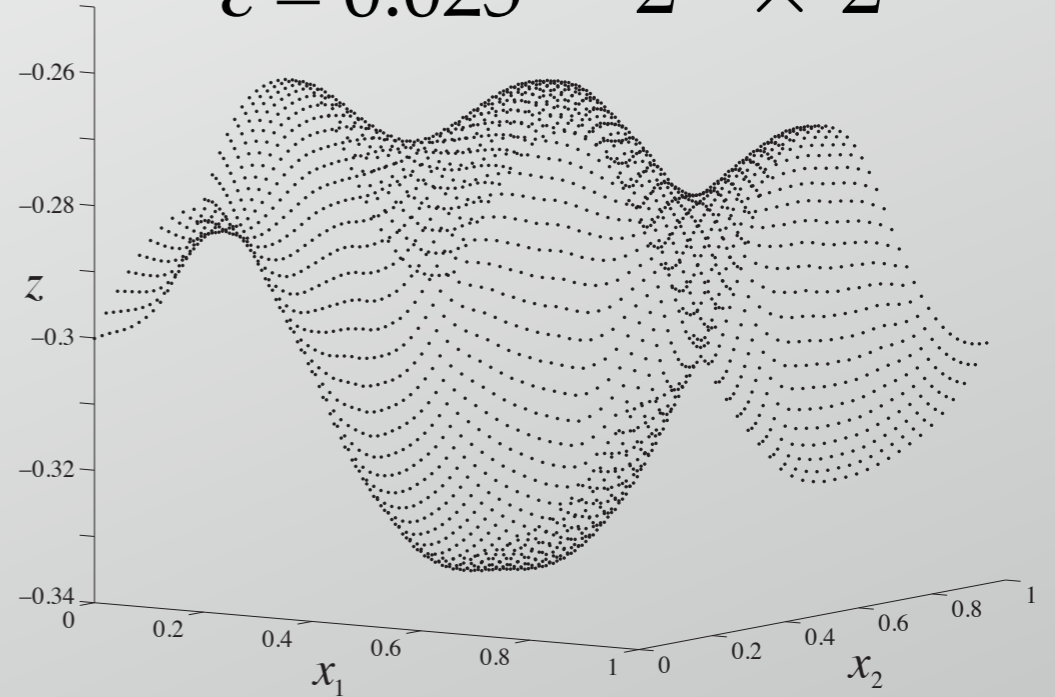
Spectral Method

$\varepsilon = 0.01$ $2^7 \times 2^7$

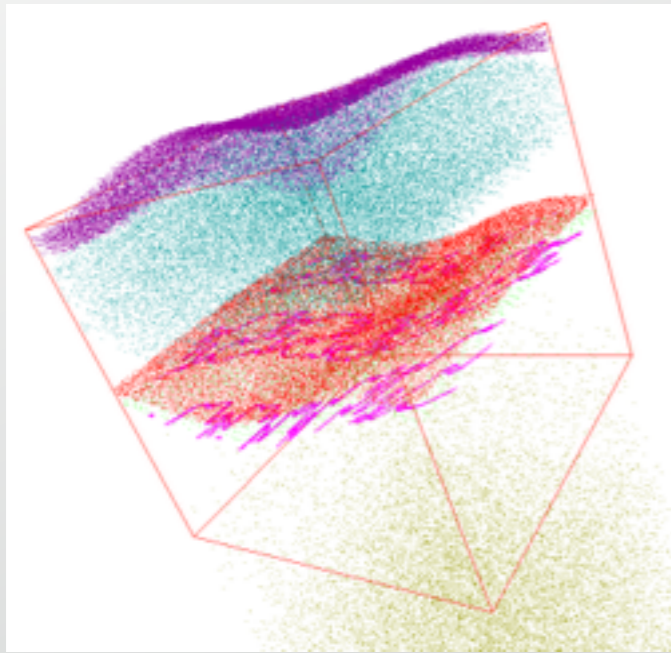


$$\omega = (\sigma - 1, \sigma^2 - 1)$$

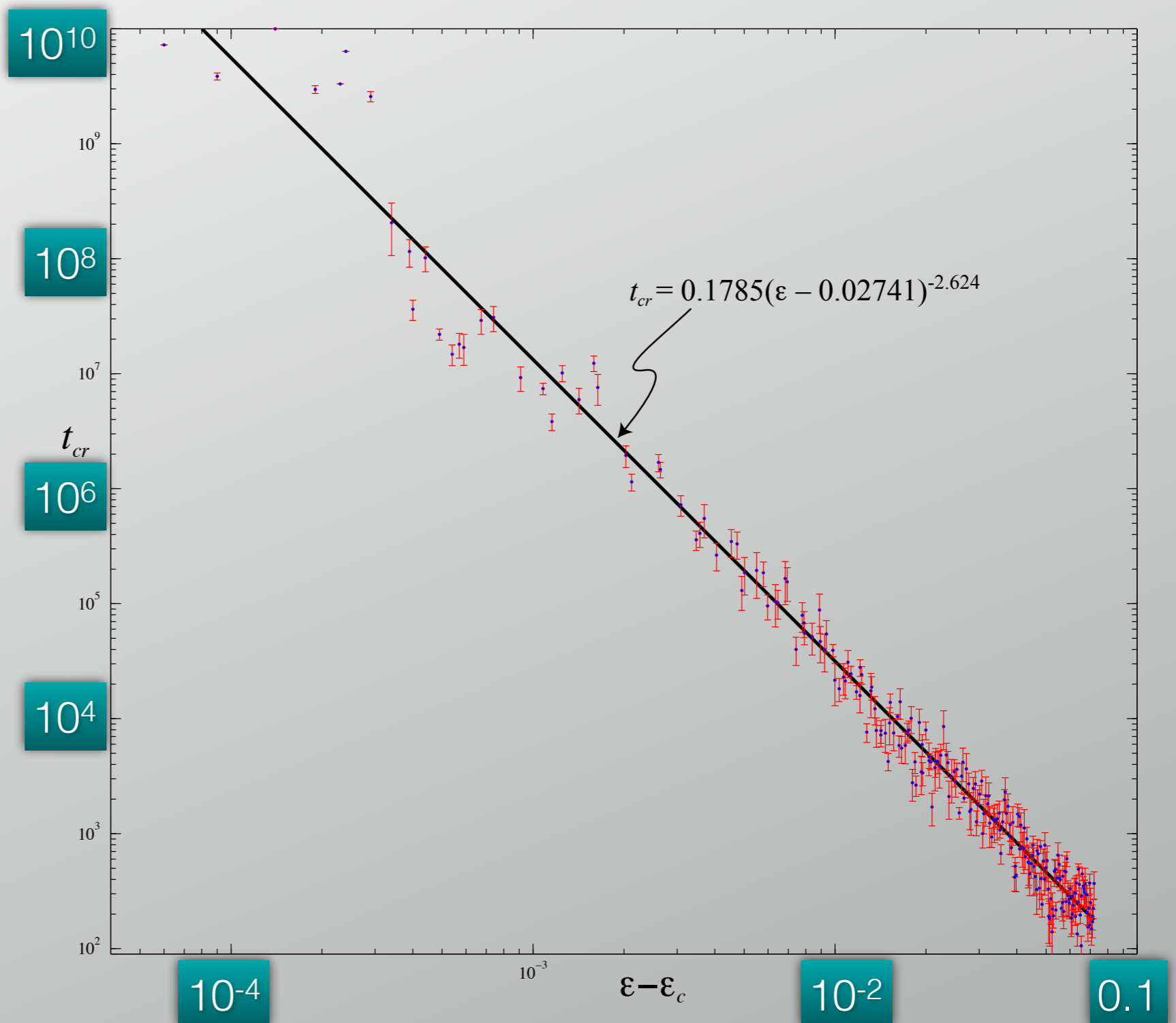
$\varepsilon = 0.025$ $2^9 \times 2^9$



Destruction \Rightarrow Transport



Crossing Time vs. $\varepsilon - \varepsilon_{cr}$
 $\delta = 0.1$
 $\varepsilon_{cr} \approx 0.02741$



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Transport

Nekhoroshev Theory

- Near integrable Symplectic Map ($\varepsilon \ll 1$)

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= x + \nabla S(y') \pmod{1} \\y' &= y - \varepsilon \nabla V(x)\end{aligned}$$

- S, V analytic, S convex (though *steep* is sufficient)
- the actions do not drift far in exponentially long times:

$$\|y_t - y_0\| \leq c\varepsilon^\alpha \quad t \leq T \exp(c/\varepsilon)^\beta$$

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Is there
Nekhoroshev for Volume-
Preserving Maps?

Near-Integrable 4D Map

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

two angles

two actions

$$m = n = 2$$

- Froeschlé-like forces

$$F = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \begin{pmatrix} a \sin(2\pi x_1) & + & c \sin(2\pi(x_1 + x_2)) \\ b \sin(2\pi x_2) & + & c \sin(2\pi(x_1 + x_2 + \varphi)) \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\varphi = 0$: Symplectic since $F = -\nabla V$
- $\varphi = 1/2$: “maximally non-symplectic” coupling

- Full Spectrum Force:

$$F_{fs} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d}{(2.1 + \cos(2\pi x_1) + \cos(2\pi x_2))^2} \begin{pmatrix} \sin(2\pi x_1) \\ \sin(2\pi(x_2 + \varphi)) \end{pmatrix}$$

Resonance Web

- Resonances

$$\mathcal{R} = \{ \omega \in \mathbb{R}^n : m \cdot \omega = n, (m, n) \in \mathbb{Z}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \}$$

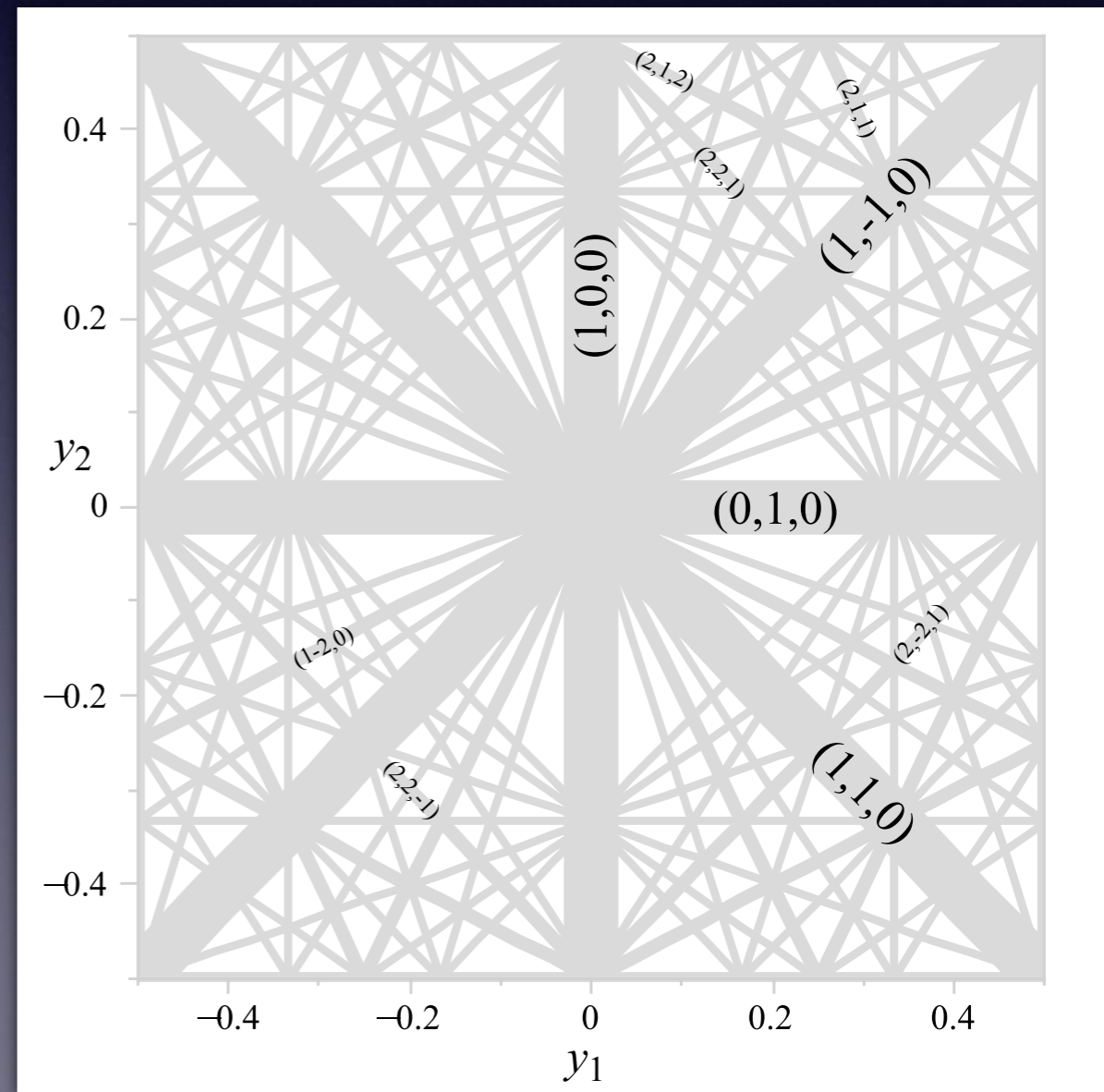
- For a resonance, the *rank* is the dimension of the module

$$\mathcal{L}_\omega = \{ m \in \mathbb{Z}^n : m \cdot \omega \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

- In Action space, resonances occur at

$$m \cdot \Omega(y) = n$$

- Nonlinearity “fattens resonances



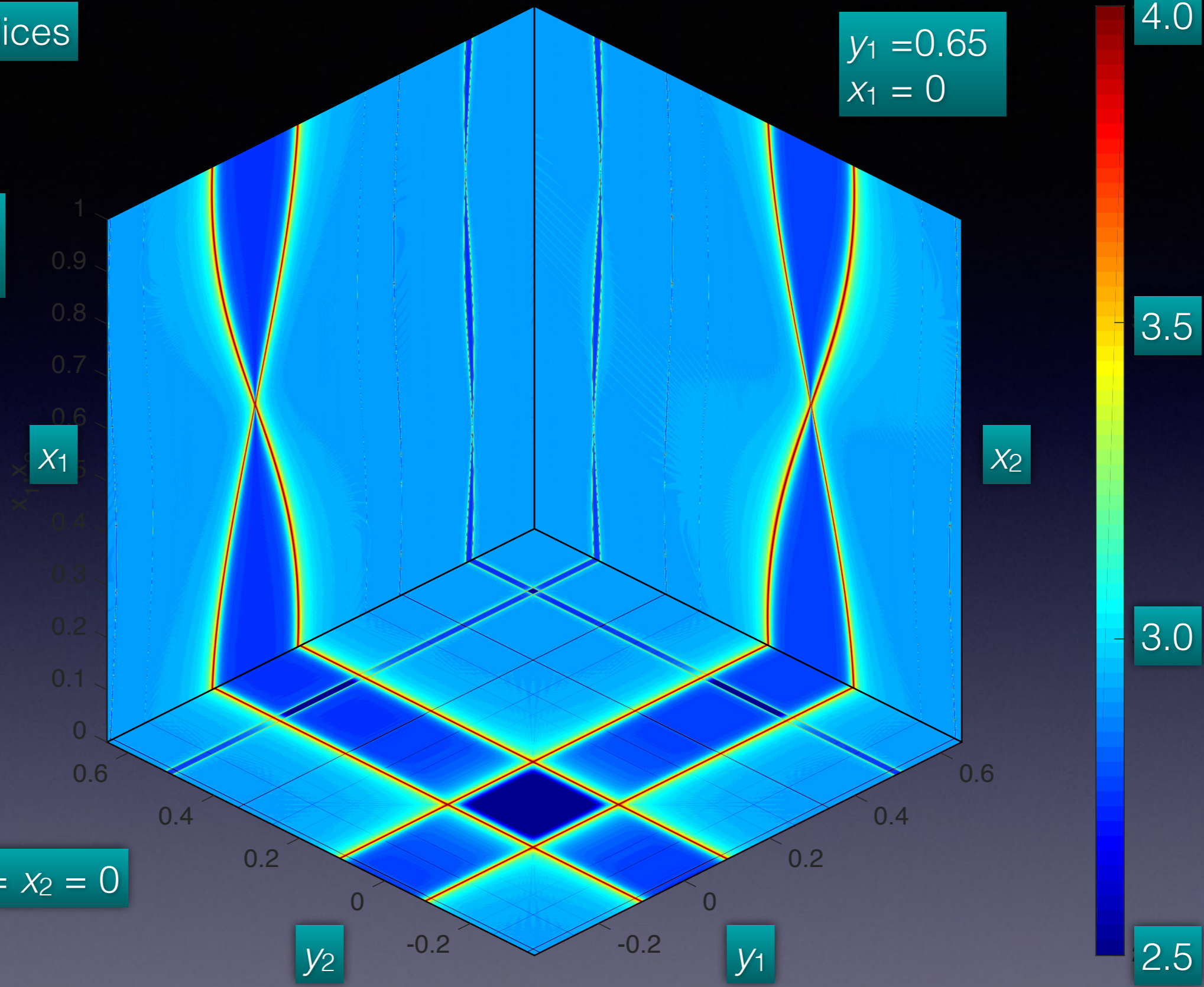
Uncoupled Slices

$y_2 = 0.65$
 $x_2 = 0$

$y_1 = 0.65$
 $x_1 = 0$

$a = 0.1$
 $b = 0.1$
 $c = 0$
 $d = 0$
 $\varphi = 0$

$x_1 = x_2 = 0$



FLI, $T = 1000$

$$F = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \begin{pmatrix} a \sin(2\pi x_1) \\ b \sin(2\pi x_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

Fast Lyapunov Indicator

- Iterate arbitrarily chosen initial deviation v_0
- Compute the supremum up to time T

$$FLI = \sup_{t < T} (\log \|Df^t(x_0)v_0\|)$$

- similar to FTLE, but supremum reduces oscillations

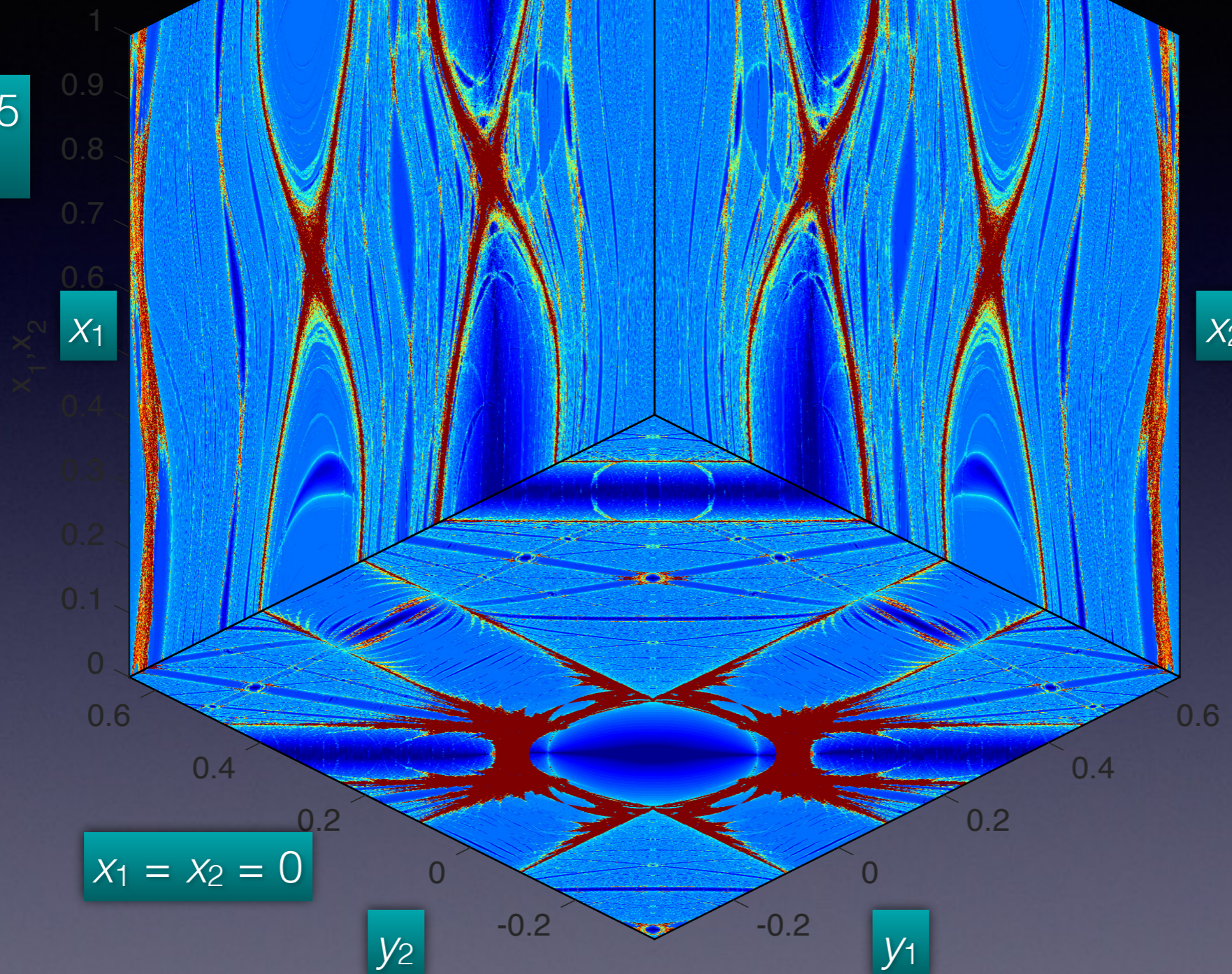
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Symplectic Slices

$y_2 = 0.65$
 $x_2 = 0$

$y_1 = 0.65$
 $x_1 = 0$

$a = 0.1$
 $b = 0.1$
 $c = 0.07$
 $d = 0.0001$
 $\varphi = 0$



$x_1 = x_2 = 0$

FLI, $T = 1000$

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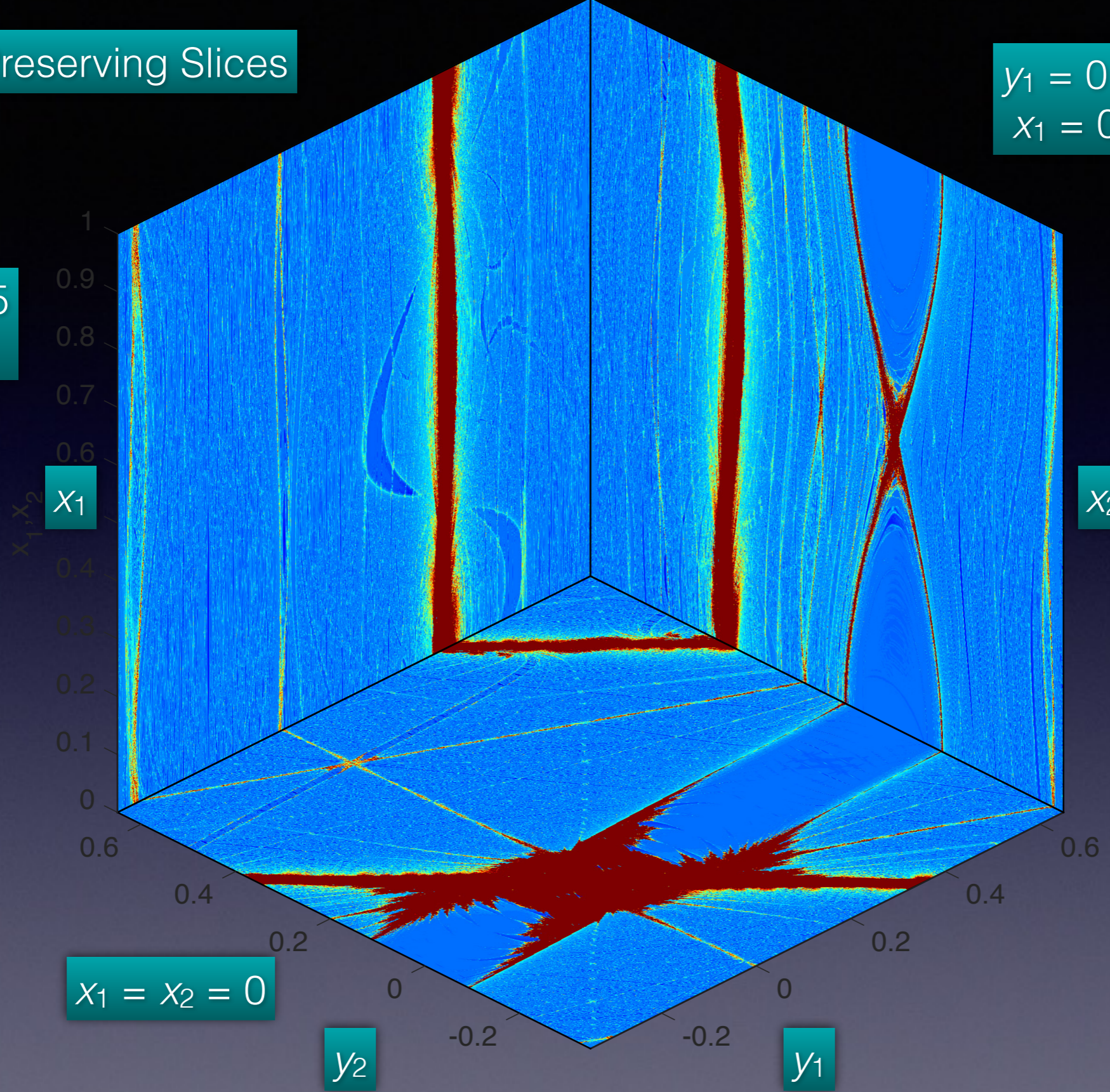
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Volume-Preserving Slices

$y_2 = 0.65$
 $x_2 = 0$

$y_1 = 0.65$
 $x_1 = 0$

$a = 0$
 $b = 0.01$
 $c = 0.07$
 $d = 0.0001$
 $\varphi = \frac{1}{2}$



$x_1 = x_2 = 0$

FLI, $T = 1000$

$$F = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \begin{pmatrix} a \sin(2\pi x_1) & + & c \sin(2\pi(x_1 + x_2)) \\ b \sin(2\pi x_2) & + & c \sin(2\pi(x_1 + x_2 + \varphi)) \end{pmatrix}$$

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Resonance Web

- Near resonance

$$y = y^* + \delta y \quad m \cdot y^* = n$$

$$F(x) = F_R(m \cdot x) + F_{NR}(x)$$

$$F(x) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \hat{F}_m e^{2\pi i m \cdot x}$$

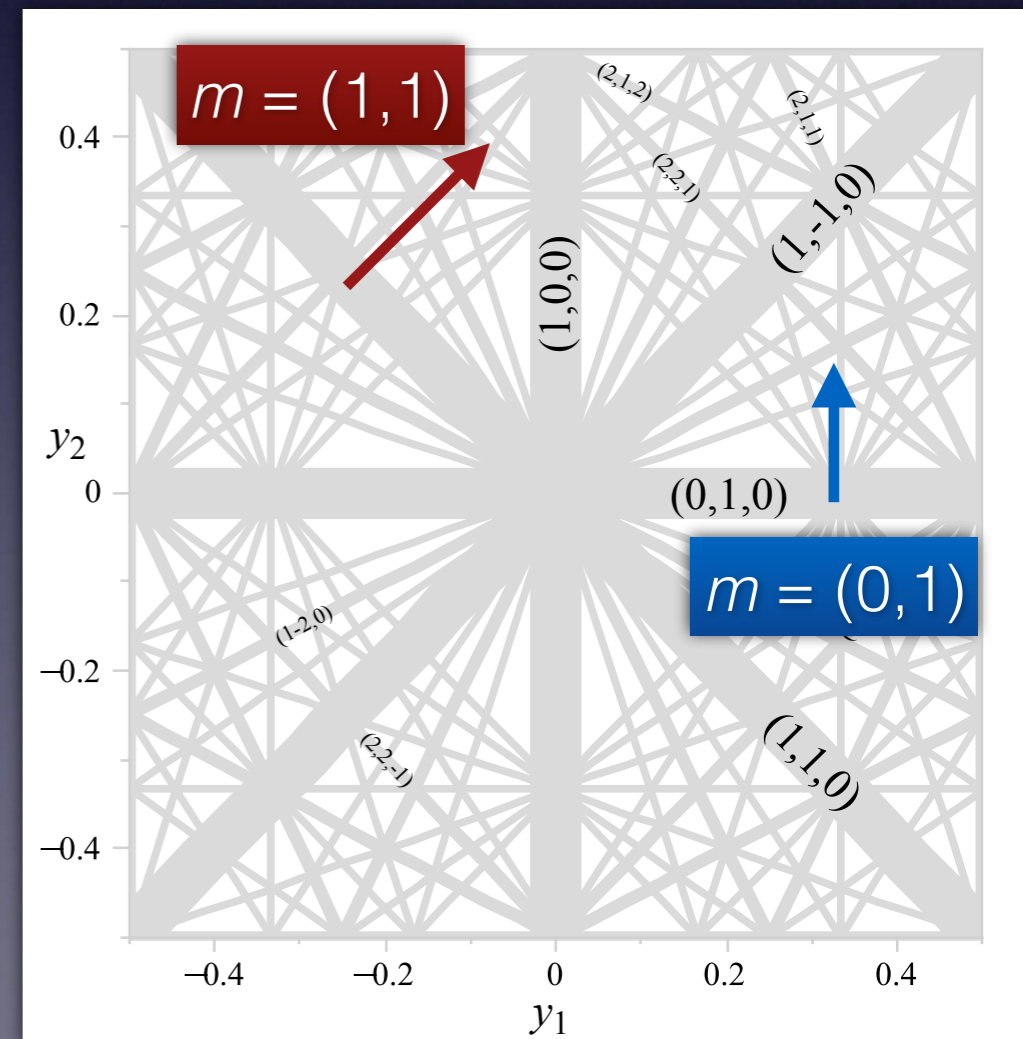
- Note: m orthogonal to resonance channel

- Resonant Phase and action

$$\psi = m \cdot x$$

$$J_R = m \cdot \delta y$$

$$J_{\parallel} = m_{\perp} \cdot \delta y$$



Resonance Web

$$\psi = m \cdot x$$

$$J_R = m \cdot \delta y$$

$$J_{\parallel} = m_{\perp} \cdot \delta y$$

- Transform away nonresonant forces F_{NR}

$$\psi' = \psi + n + J'_R$$

$$J'_R = J_R + m \cdot F_R(\psi)$$

$$J'_{\parallel} = J_{\parallel} + m_{\perp} \cdot F_R(\psi)$$



2D Area-preserving map

- For Symplectic case

$$F_R = -\nabla V(m \cdot x) = -mV'(\psi)$$

- Action along channel is approximate invariant!

$$J'_{\parallel} = J_{\parallel}$$

Resonance Web

- But for a Volume-Preserving map, J_{\parallel} can be driven!

$$\psi' = \psi + n + J'_R$$

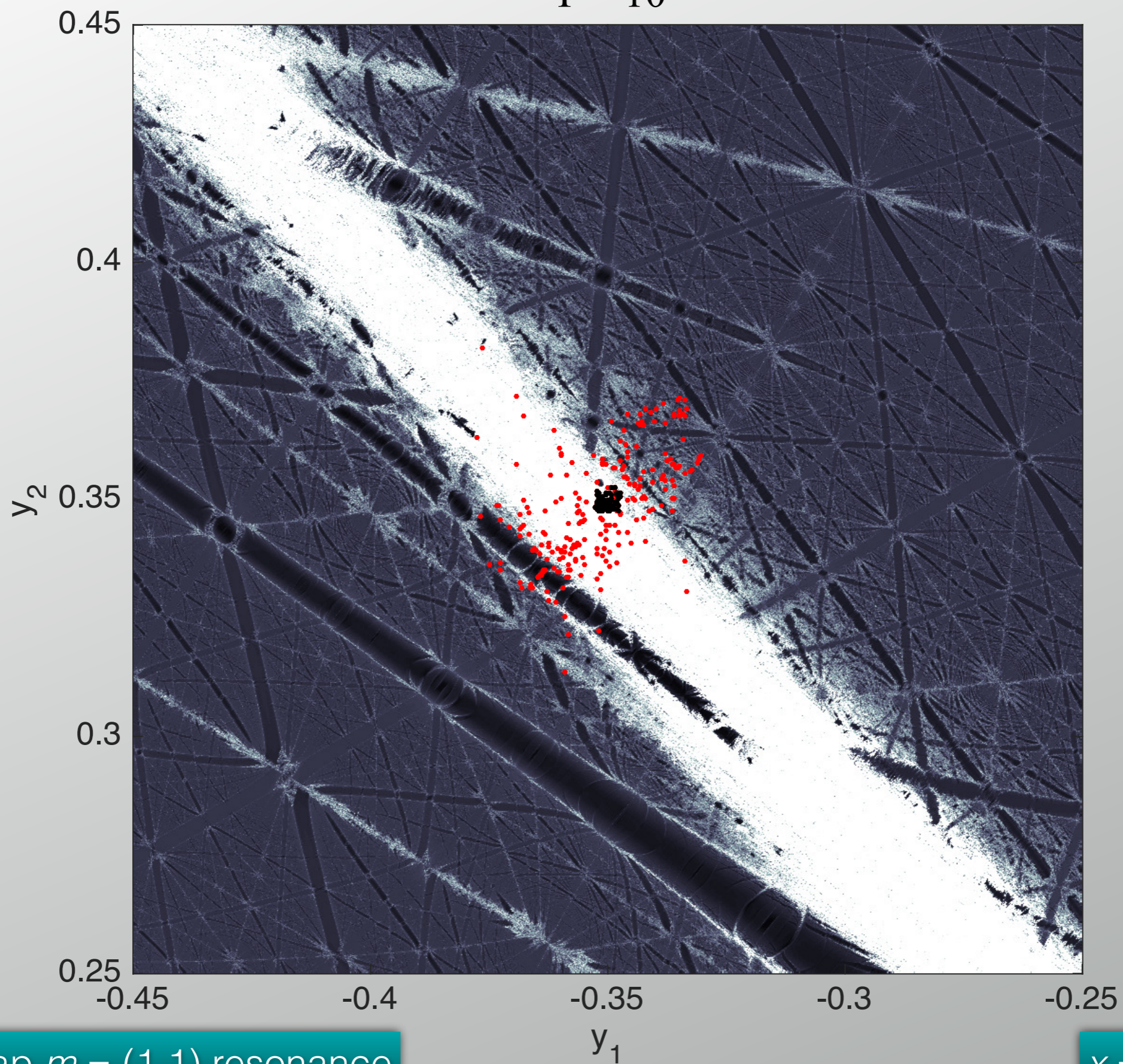
$$J'_R = J_R + m \cdot F_R(\psi)$$

$$J'_{\parallel} = J_{\parallel} + m_{\perp} \cdot F_R(\psi)$$

Drifting Orbits

Symplectic: $(a,b,c,d) = (0,0.1,0.07,0.0001)$

$T = 10^6$

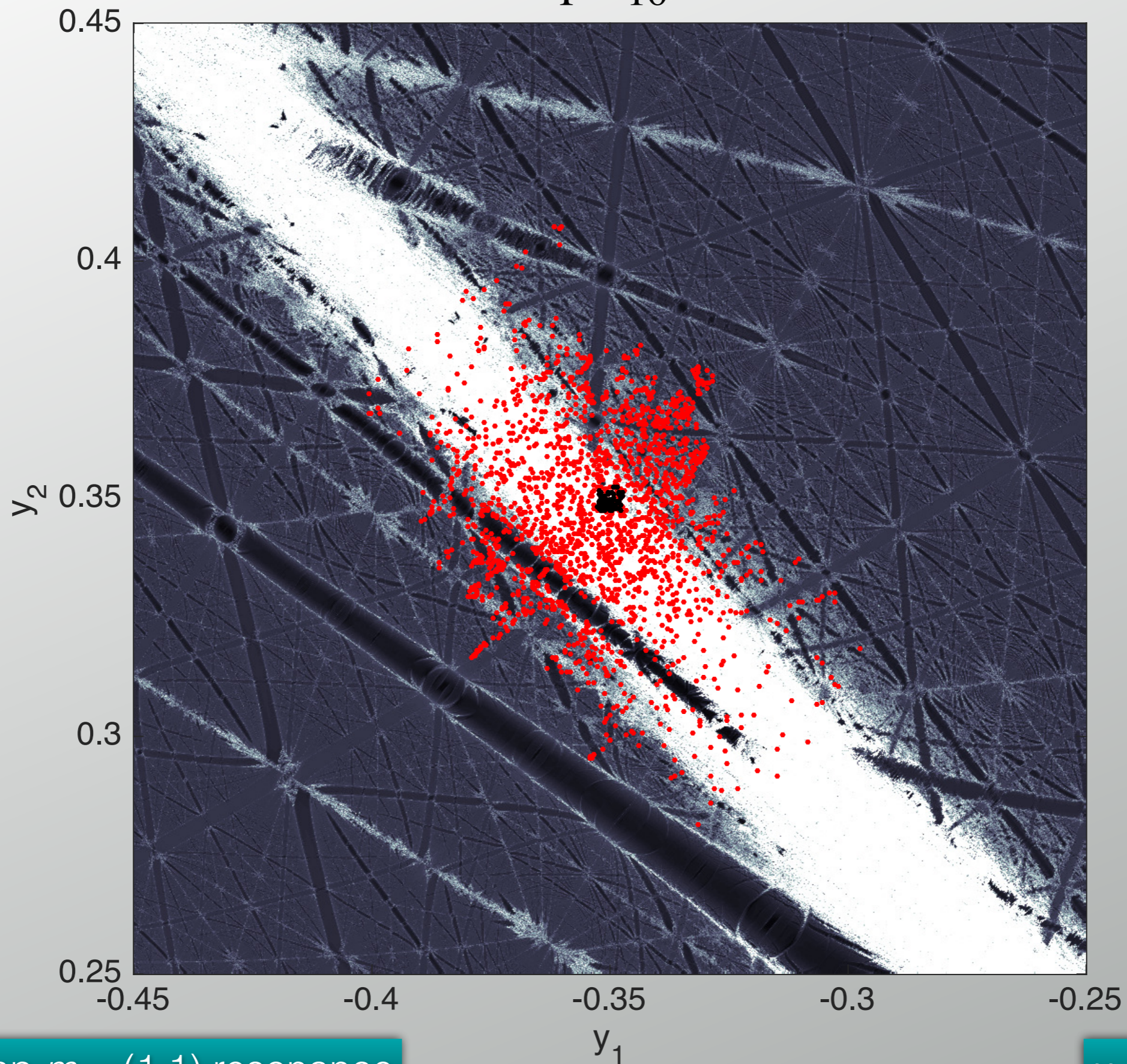


Symplectic Map $m = (1,1)$ resonance

$x = (0,0.5)$ slice

Symplectic: $(a,b,c,d) = (0,0.1,0.07,0.0001)$

$T = 10^7$



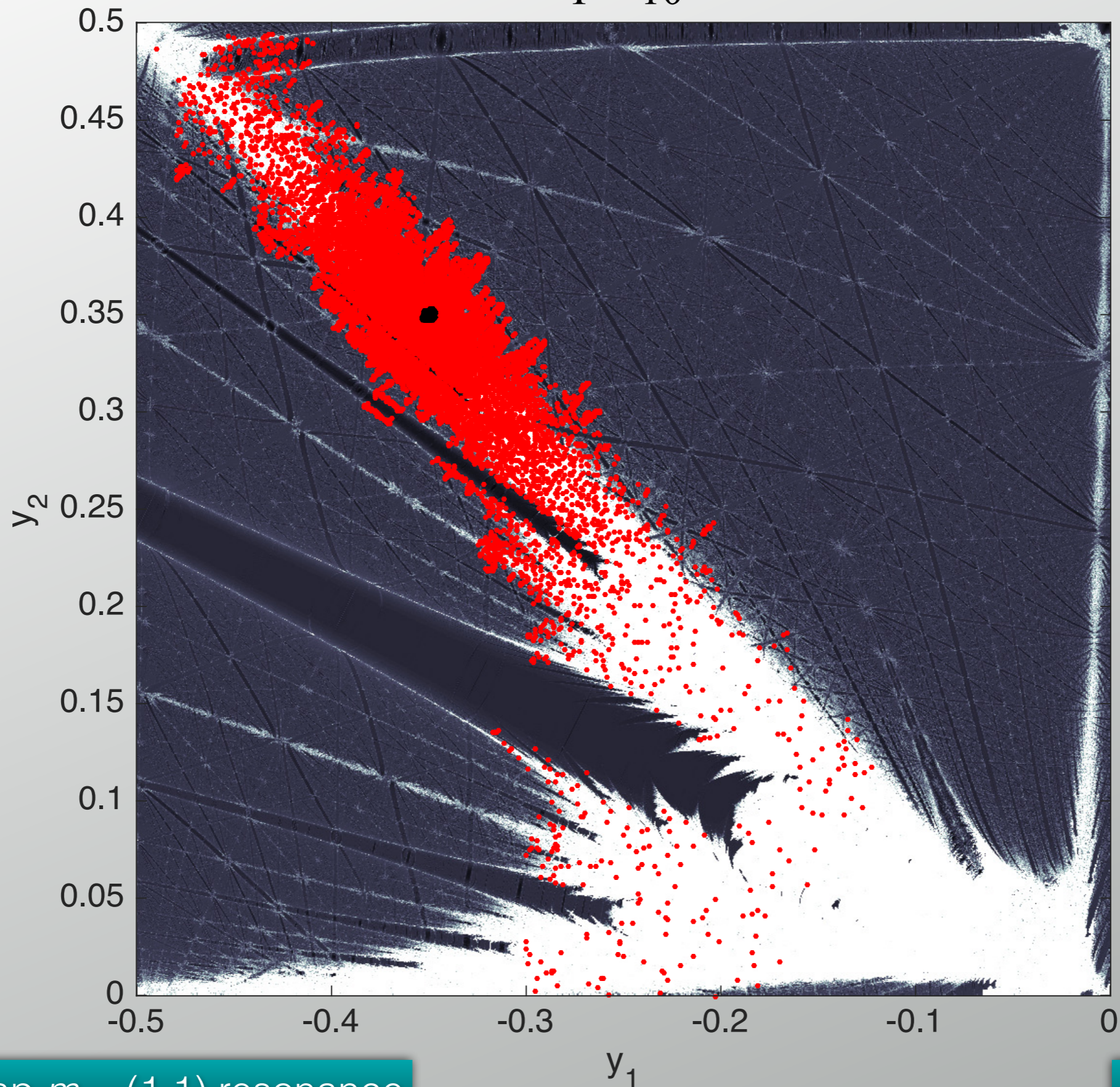
Symplectic Map $m = (1,1)$ resonance

$x = (0,0.5)$ slice

Zooming Out!

Symplectic: $(a,b,c,d) = (0,0.1,0.07,0.0001)$

$T = 10^8$

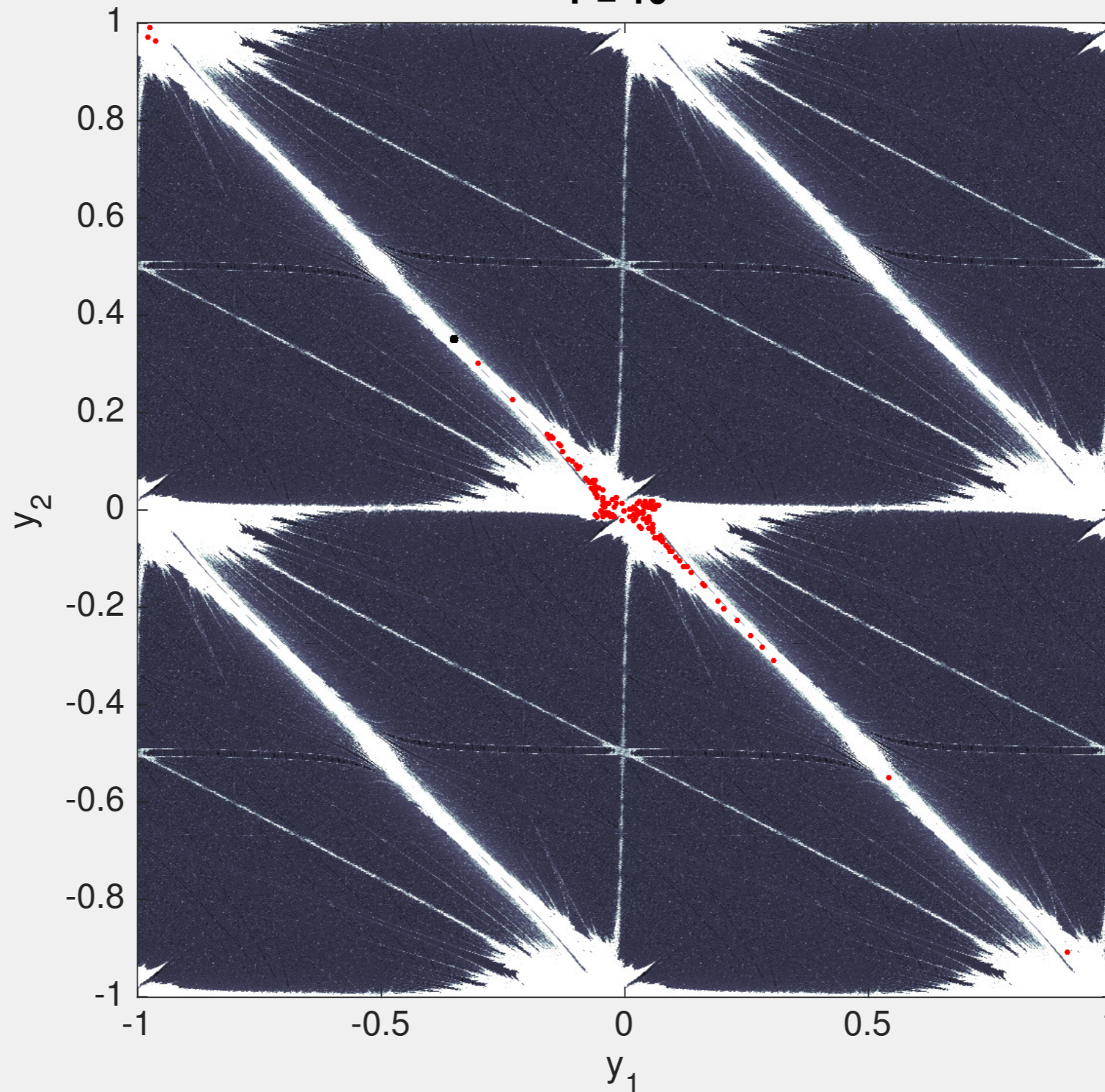


Symplectic Map $m = (1,1)$ resonance

$x = (0,0.5)$ slice

Volume-preserving, $(a,b,c,d) = (0,0.1,0.07,0.0001)$, phases = $(0.5,0)$

$T = 10^3$

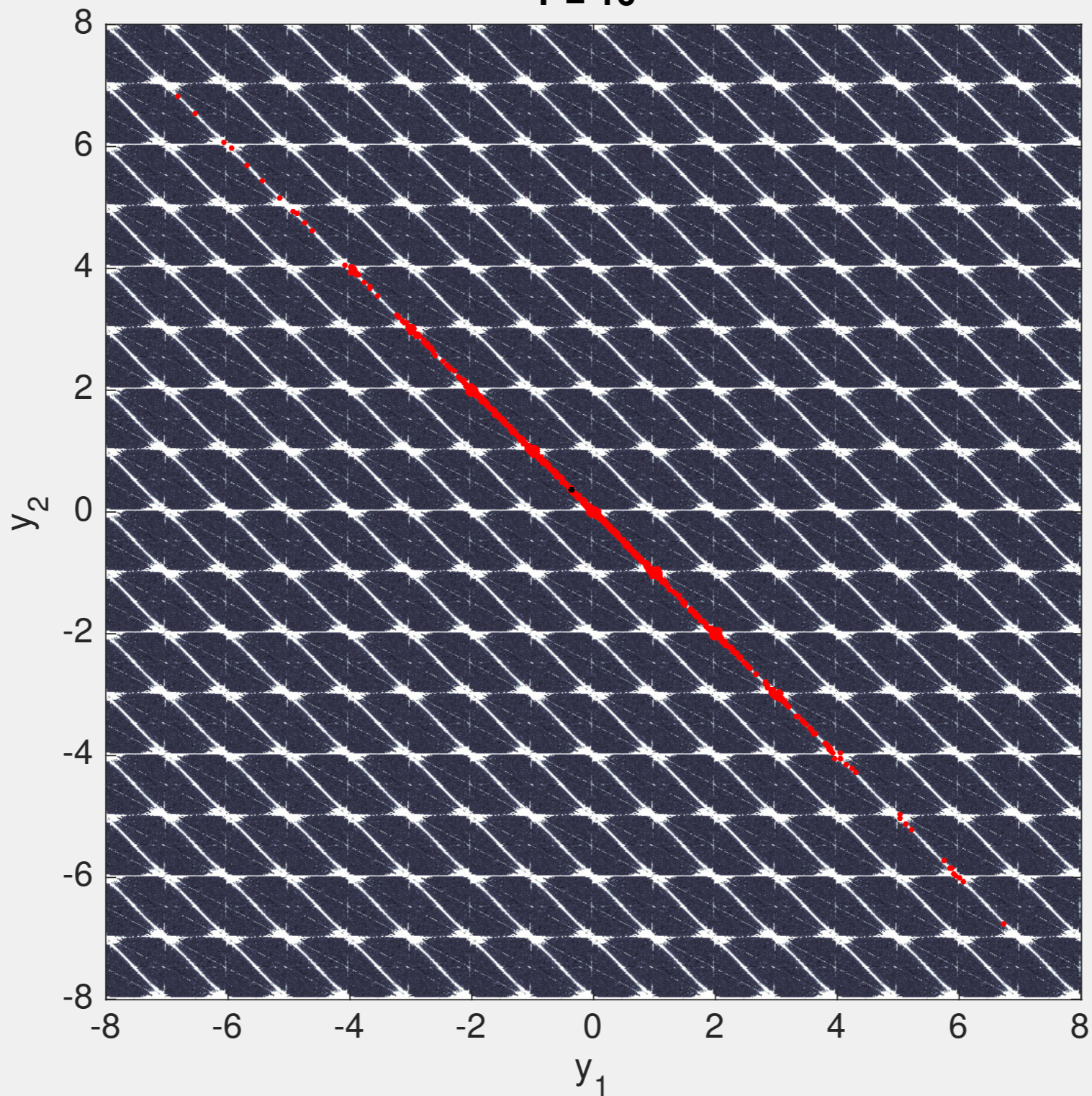


Volume-Preserving Map $m = (1,1)$ resonance

$x = (0,0.5)$ slice

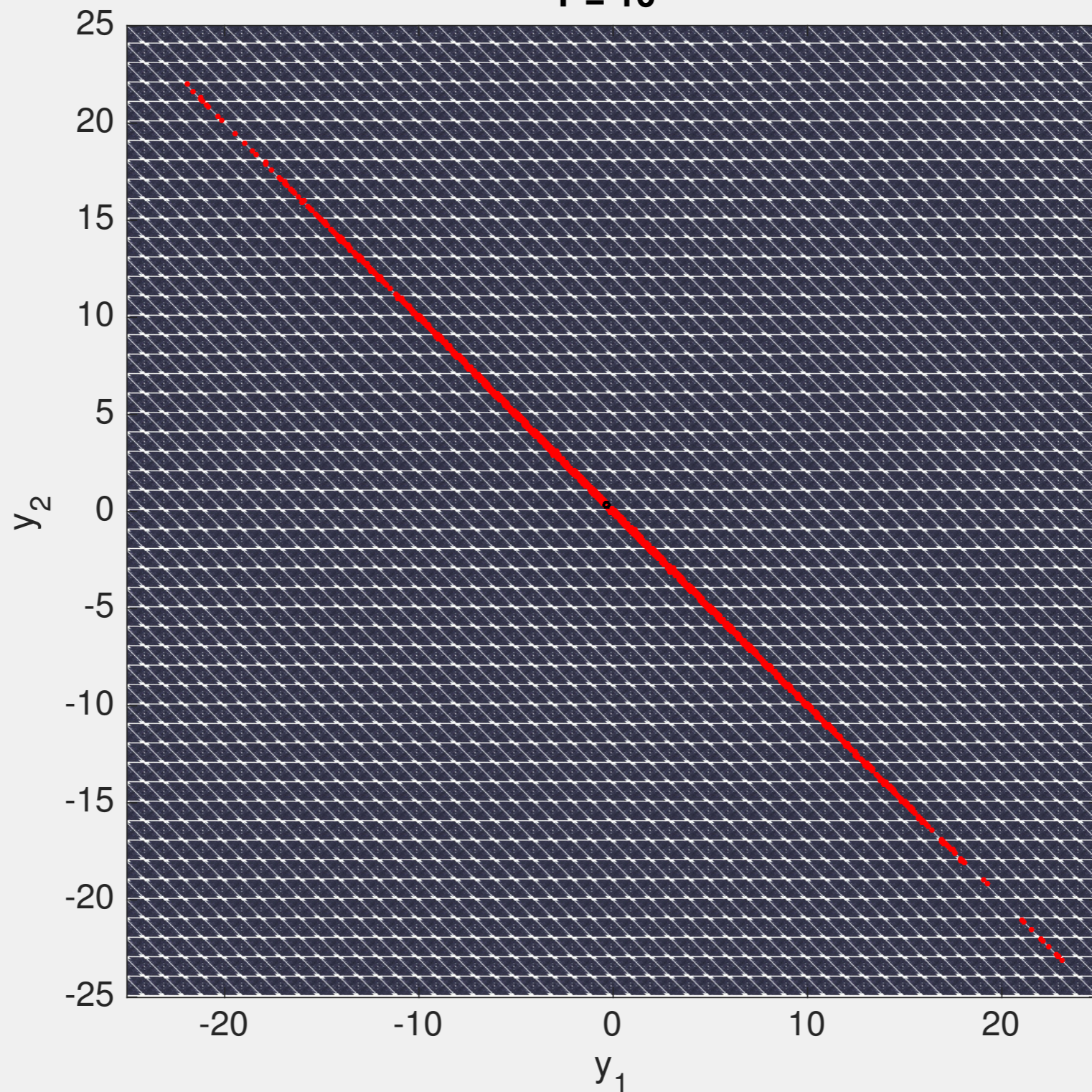
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$T = 10^4$



Volume-preserving, $(a,b,c,d) = (0,0.1,0.07,0.0001)$, phases = $(0.5,0)$

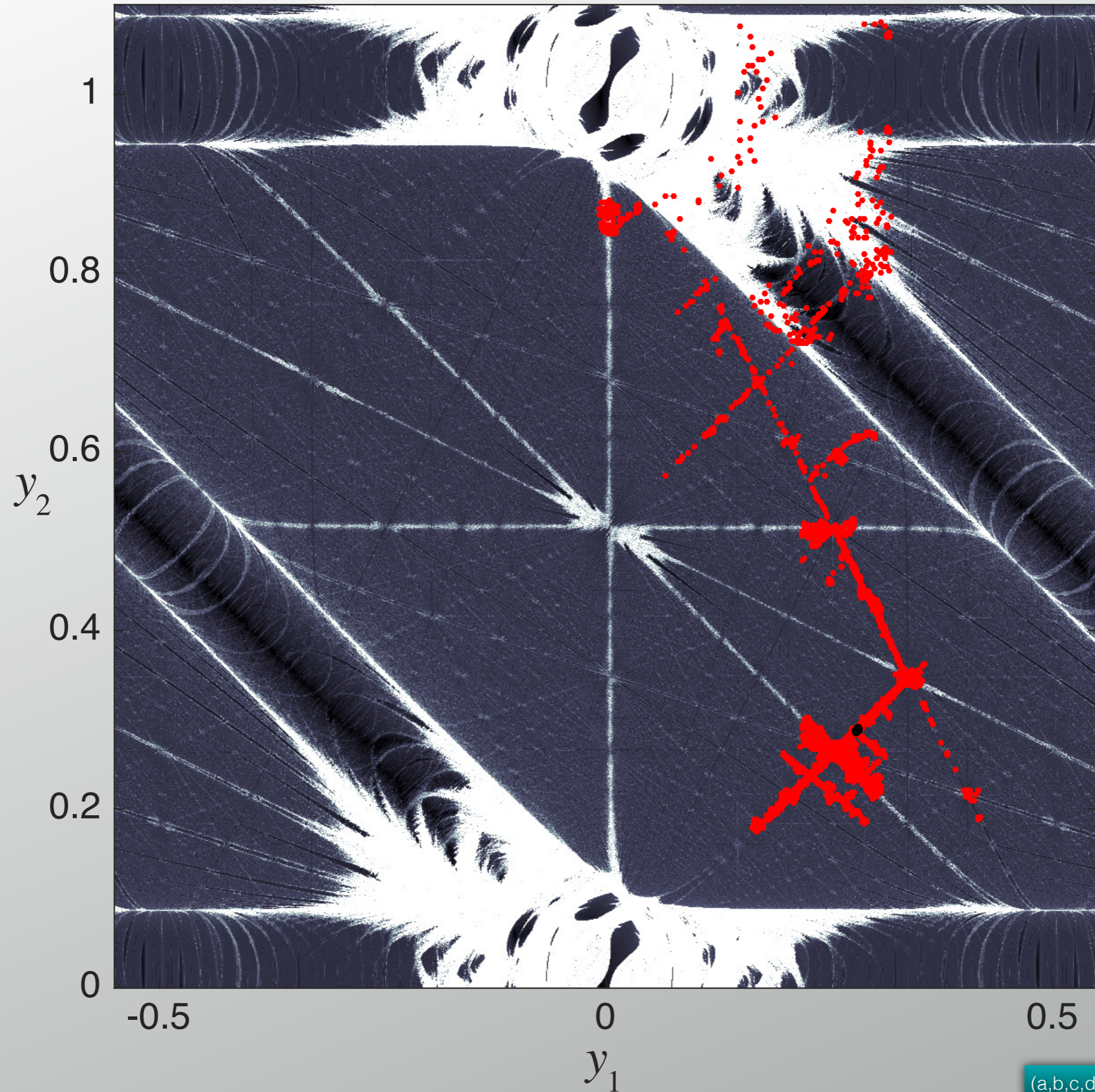
$T = 10^5$



Crossing Resonances

Volume-Preserving Map

$$T = 10^8$$



$x=(0,0.25)$
slice

$(a,b,c,d) = 0.0,0.1,0.07, 0.0001, \phi = (0, 0.5)$

More about VP Maps

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