

# **Lerman separatrix map in the problem of satellite attitude motion**

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# Introduction

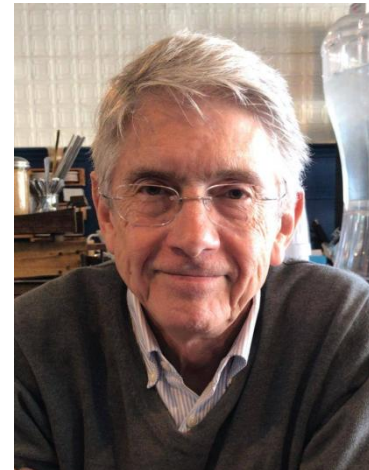
Three names that determined the development of studies on the rotational motion of celestial bodies



**Leonard  
Euler**



**Vladimir  
Beletsky**



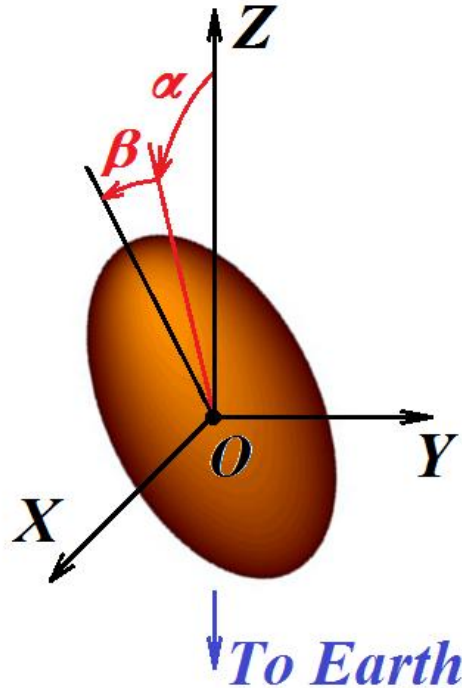
**Jack  
Wisdom**

# Introduction

The analysis of some problems in attitude dynamics requires the study of 2DOF Hamiltonian systems with a pair of orbits bi-asymptotic to a saddle-center equilibrium. It provides the possibility of applying the approach developed by L.M.Lerman and C. Grotta Ragazzo.

- Lerman L.M. Hamiltonian systems with loops of a separatrix of a saddle-center // Sel. Math. Sov. 1991. V.. 10. P. 297-306.
- Grotta Ragazzo C. On the stability of double homoclinic loops // Commun. Math. Phys. 1997. V. 184. P. 251-272.

# Axisymmetric satellite in a gravity field: motion equations



$$\frac{d\alpha}{d\tau} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_\alpha}, \quad \frac{d\beta}{d\tau} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_\beta}$$

$$\frac{dp_\alpha}{d\tau} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \alpha}, \quad \frac{dp_\beta}{d\tau} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \beta}$$

$$H(p_\alpha, p_\beta, \alpha, \beta) = H_0(p_\alpha, \alpha) + H_1(p_\alpha, p_\beta, \alpha, \beta)$$

$$H_0(p_\alpha, \alpha) = \frac{1}{2}[p_\alpha^2 + 3(\Theta_c - 1)\cos^2 \alpha],$$

$$H_1(p_\alpha, p_\beta, \alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{2}[p_\beta^2 + (p_\alpha + 1)^2 \operatorname{tg}^2 \beta - 3(\Theta_c - 1)\cos^2 \alpha \cos^2 \beta]$$

$\Theta_c > 1$  – *prolate satellite*

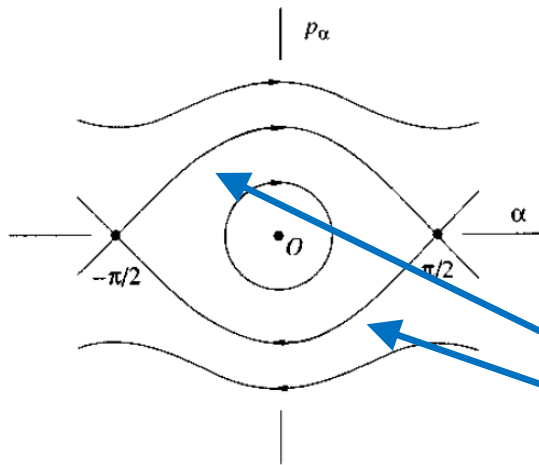
$\Theta_c < 1$  – *elongated satellite*

If  $\mathbf{z}(\tau) = (\alpha(\tau), \beta(\tau), p_\alpha(\tau), p_\beta(\tau))^T$  is a solution of the motion equations,

then  $Q\mathbf{z}(-\tau)$ ,  $Q = \operatorname{diag}(-1, 1, 1, -1)$  is a solution too.

# Invariant manifold

Phase flow on the invariant manifold  $\beta = p_\beta \equiv 0$



$\Theta_c < 1$  – *elongated satellite*

$$\alpha_* = \frac{\pi}{2} \bmod \pi, \quad \beta = 0 \bmod \pi$$

**Physically different!**

The strategy: to use the composition of the approximate local and global maps for studies of the phase flow properties in the vicinity of this double homoclinic loop

# Construction of the local map (L-GR)

$\Theta_c < 1$  – *elongated satellite*

$$\alpha_* = \frac{\pi}{2} \bmod \pi, \quad \beta = 0 \bmod \pi$$

## Consequence of Generalized Lyapunoff Theorem (Moser-Russmann)

$$\mathbf{z} = (\alpha, \beta, p_\alpha, p_\beta)^T \mapsto \tilde{\mathbf{z}} = (\tilde{\alpha}, \tilde{\beta}, \tilde{p}_\alpha, \tilde{p}_\beta)^T$$

$$\tilde{p}_\alpha = p_\alpha + O(|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}_*|^2), \quad \tilde{p}_\beta = p_\beta + O(|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}_*|^2)$$

$$\tilde{\alpha} = \alpha - \alpha_* + O(|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}_*|^2), \quad \tilde{\beta} = \beta + O(|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}_*|^2)$$

$$\mathbf{z}_* = (0, 0, \alpha_*, 0)$$

## New Hamiltonian

$$\tilde{H} = \kappa I_\alpha + I_\beta + O(I_\alpha^2 + I_\beta^2)$$

$$I_\alpha = \frac{1}{2\kappa} [\tilde{p}_\alpha - (\kappa\tilde{\alpha})^2]$$

$$I_\beta = \frac{1}{2} (\tilde{p}_\beta^2 + \beta^2)$$

$$\kappa = \sqrt{3(1 - \Theta_c)}$$

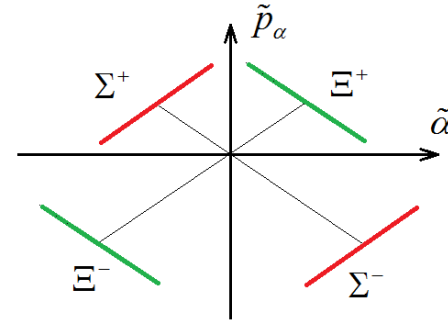
# Construction of the local map (L-GR)

## Auxiliary hyperplanes

$$\Sigma^\pm = \{ \tilde{\mathbf{z}} \mid \tilde{p}_\alpha - \kappa \tilde{\alpha} = \pm \delta_\pm \}$$

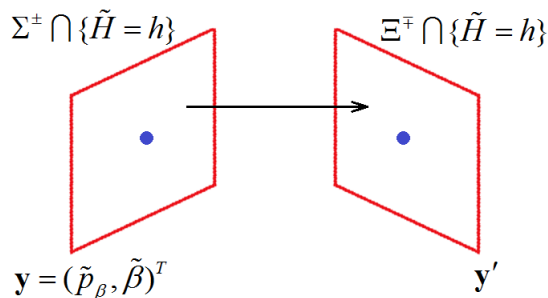
$$\Xi^\pm = \{ \tilde{\mathbf{z}} \mid \tilde{p}_\alpha + \kappa \tilde{\alpha} = \pm \delta_\pm \}$$

$$\delta_\pm > 0, \delta_+ \neq \delta_-$$



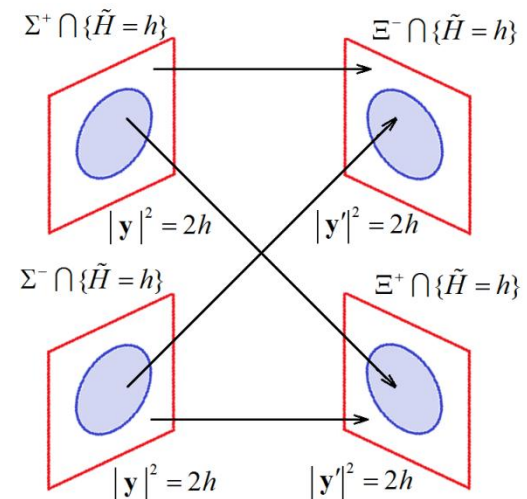
## Local map:

$$h \leq 0$$



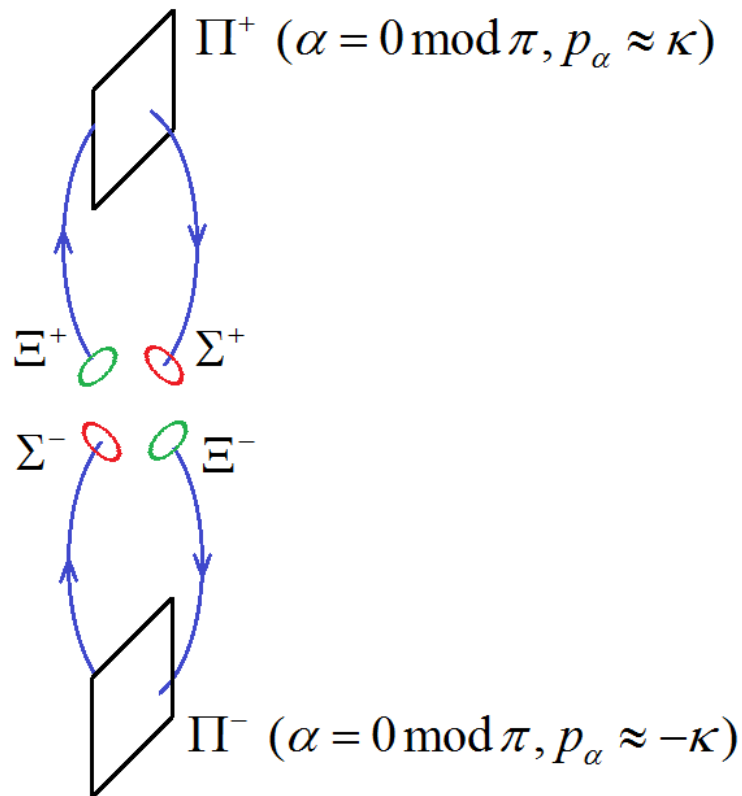
$$\theta(\mathbf{y}) \approx -\frac{1}{\kappa} \ln |2h - |\mathbf{y}|^2| + c_0 \quad c_0 = \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln \delta_+ \delta_-$$

$$h > 0$$



$$\theta(\mathbf{y}) \approx -\frac{1}{\kappa} \ln |2h - |\mathbf{y}|^2| + c_\pm \quad c_\pm = \frac{2}{\kappa} \ln \delta_\pm$$

# “Global” maps



$$\Gamma_\pm : \Xi^\pm \rightarrow \Sigma^\pm$$

$$\Gamma_+ = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a \\ -\frac{1}{a} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Gamma_- = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ -\frac{1}{b} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\Gamma_\pm = A_\pm B_\pm$$

$$A_\pm : \Pi^\pm \rightarrow \Sigma^\pm, \quad B_\pm : \Xi^\pm \rightarrow \Pi^\pm$$

$$A_+ = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sigma_+ a}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sigma_+ \sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{\sigma_+}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{a \sigma_+ \sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \quad A_- = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sigma_- b}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sigma_- \sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{\sigma_-}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{b \sigma_- \sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B_\pm = Q A_\pm^{-1} Q \quad Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$



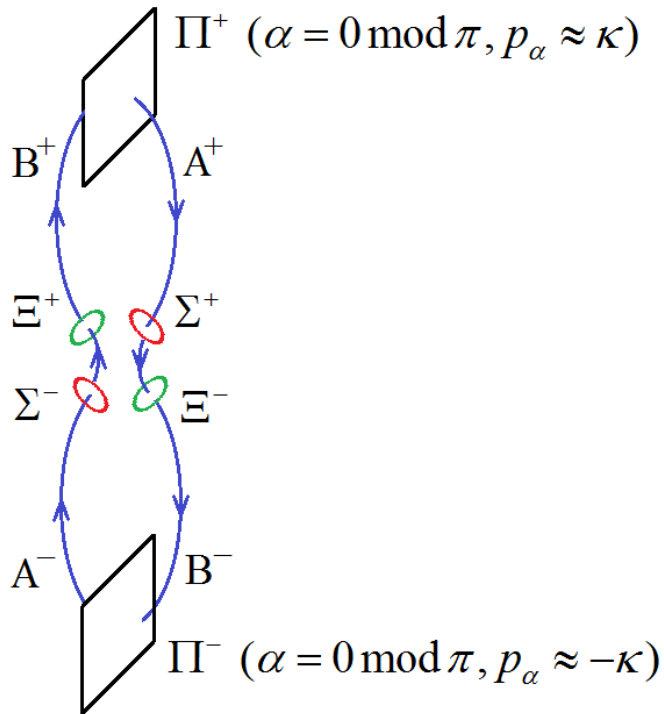
# Composition of local and “global” maps

Map  $F : \Pi^+ \cup \Pi^- \rightarrow \Pi^+ \cup \Pi^-$

$$h = 0$$

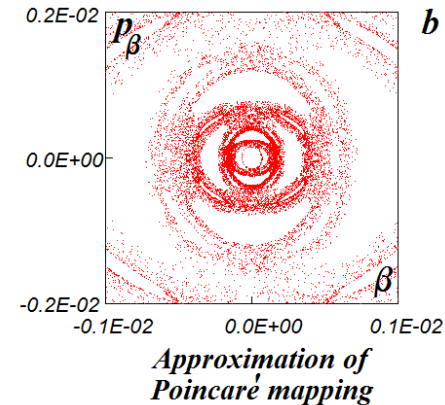
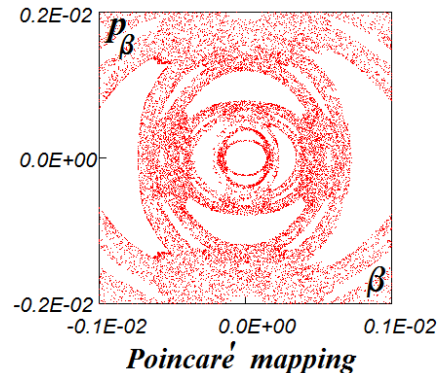
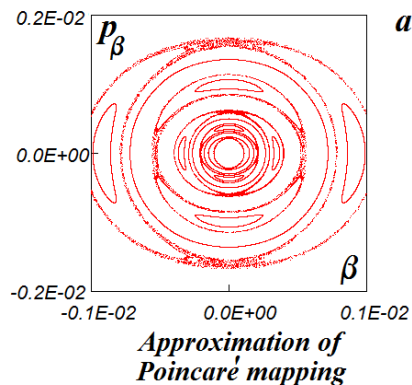
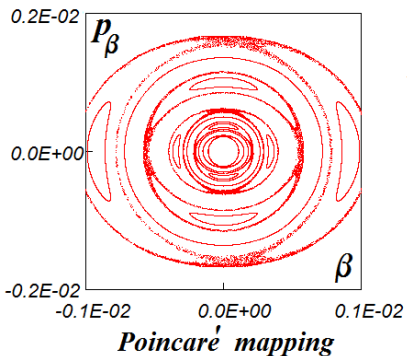
$$F(\mathbf{y}) = \begin{cases} B_- R(c_0 - \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln |A_+ \mathbf{y}|^2) A_+ \mathbf{y}, & \mathbf{y} \in \Pi^+ \\ B_+ R(c_0 - \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln |A_- \mathbf{y}|^2) A_- \mathbf{y}, & \mathbf{y} \in \Pi^- \end{cases}$$

$$F(\Pi^\pm) = \Pi^\mp, \quad F^2(\Pi^\pm) = \Pi^\pm$$



# Comparison with Poincare mapping

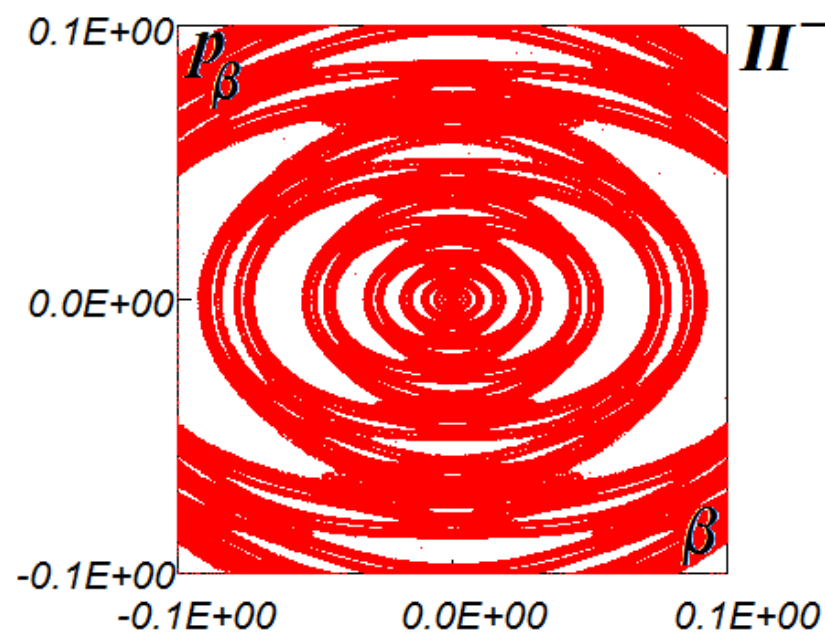
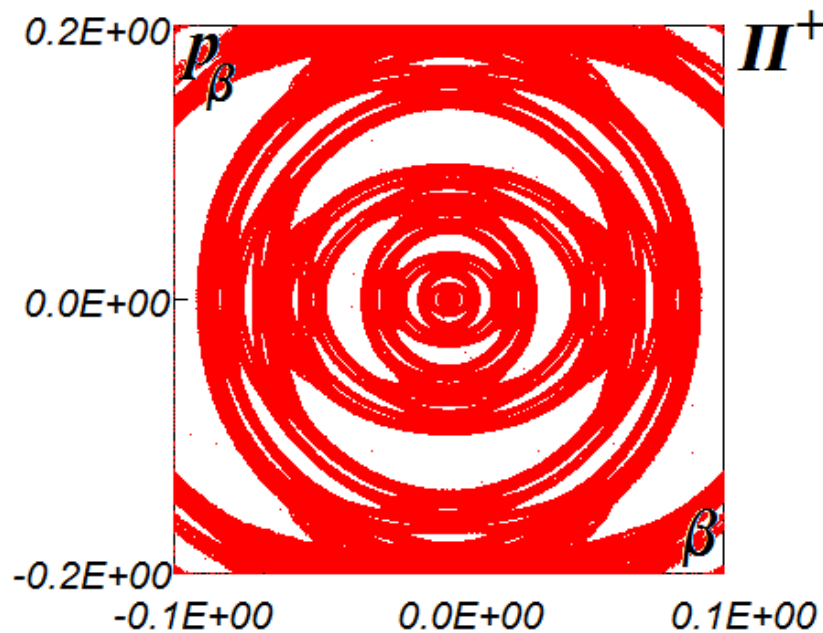
$$h=0, F^2 : \Pi^+ \rightarrow \Pi^+$$



Section of the plane  $\alpha = 0(\text{mod } \pi)$  by trajectories in which the angle  $\alpha$  increases and its approximation by the mapping  $F^2 : \Pi^+ \rightarrow \Pi^+$ . The value of the Hamiltonian  $h = 0$ . In the case  $a$  the ratio of the moments of inertia of the satellite  $\theta_c = 0.87$ ; numerical study indicates that the mapping has invariant curves enclosing the point  $y = 0$ . In the case  $b$  the parameter  $\theta_c = 0.82$  and there are no invariant curves enclosing  $y = 0$ .

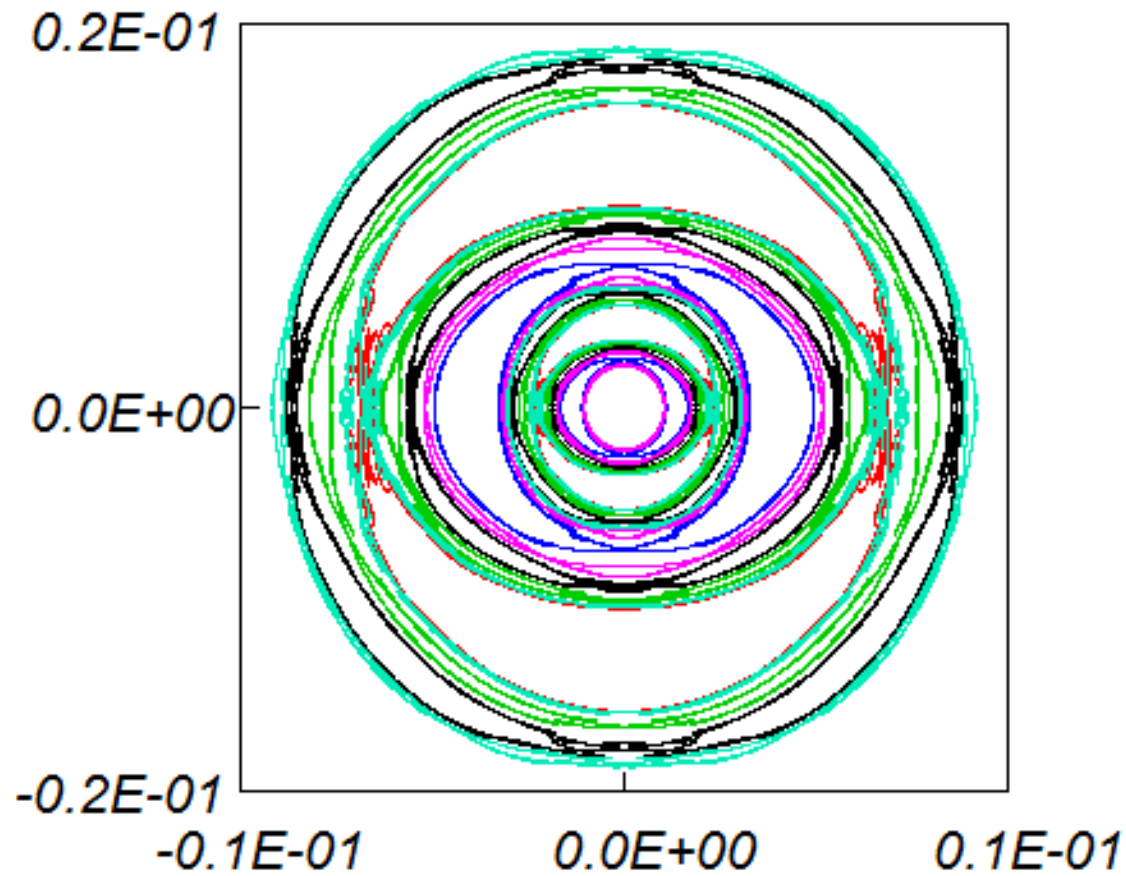
# Scaling (h=0)

$$F(e^{\frac{\kappa n \pi}{2}} \tilde{\mathbf{y}}) = (-1)^n e^{\frac{\kappa n \pi}{2}} F(\tilde{\mathbf{y}}), n \in \mathbb{Z}$$



$$\theta_c = 0.85$$

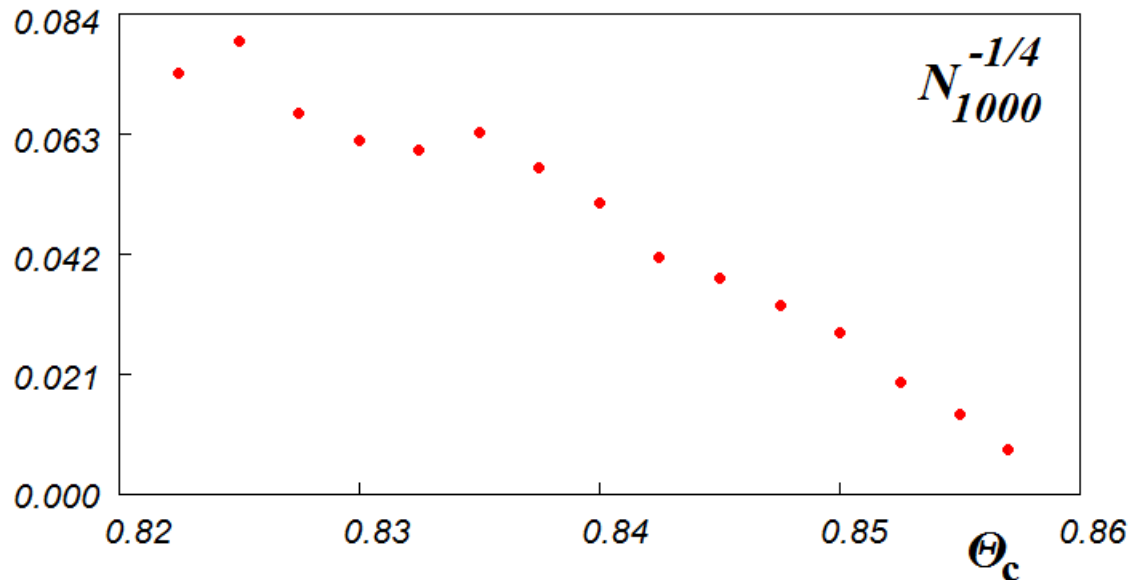
# Fixed points of $F^{2n}$ ( $h=0$ )



$$\theta_c = 0.84$$

# Stability of a separatrix contour ( $h=0$ )

Empirical approach: 30 points on a semicircle with a radius of 0.001,  $N_{1000}$  is the minimum number of iterations required to move one of the points to a unit distance from the origin



# Factorization (h=0)

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_{\Sigma^\pm} = \sqrt{2J_{\Sigma^\pm}} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\left(\varphi_{\Sigma^\pm} + \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln J_{\Sigma^\pm}\right) \\ \sin\left(\varphi_{\Sigma^\pm} + \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln J_{\Sigma^\pm}\right) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Modified polar symplectic coordinates}$$

Formulas for mapping in polar coordinates:

$$J_{\Sigma^-} = J_{\Sigma^+} \sqrt{\beta^2 \sin^2 \varphi_{\Sigma^+} + \frac{1}{\beta^2} \cos^2 \varphi_{\Sigma^+}}$$

$$\varphi_{\Sigma^-} = \left[ \operatorname{arctg}(\beta^2 \operatorname{tg} \varphi_{\Sigma^+}) - \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln J_{\Sigma^-} \right] (\operatorname{mod} \pi)$$

# Factorization (h=0)

Factoring change of variables:

$$J_{\Sigma^{\pm}} \rightarrow \eta_{\Sigma^{\pm}} = -\frac{1}{\kappa} \ln J_{\Sigma^{\pm}}$$

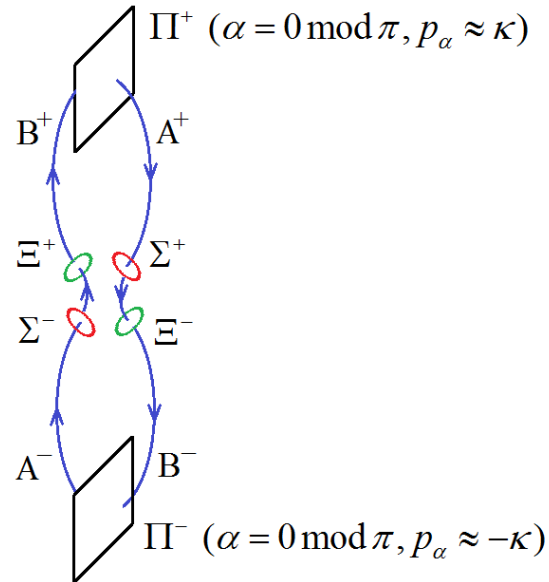
Factorized mappings:

$$\eta_{\Sigma^{-}} = \left[ \eta_{\Sigma^{+}} - \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln \sqrt{\beta^2 \sin^2 \varphi_{\Sigma^{+}} + \frac{1}{\beta^2} \cos^2 \varphi_{\Sigma^{+}}} \right] (\text{mod } \pi)$$
$$\varphi_{\Sigma^{-}} = \left[ \text{arctg} \left( \beta^2 \text{tg } \varphi_{\Sigma^{+}} \right) + \eta_{\Sigma^{-}} \right] (\text{mod } \pi)$$

Preserved measure

$$e^{-\kappa \eta_{\Sigma^{\pm}}} d\eta_{\Sigma^{\pm}} d\varphi_{\Sigma^{\pm}}$$

# Motion properties at $h < 0$



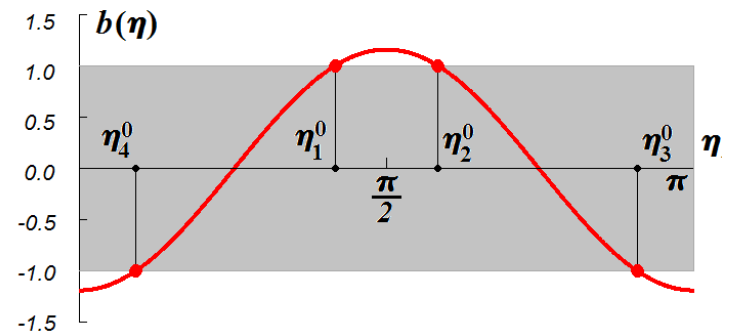
Stability of fixed point  $y=0$

$$b_0(\eta) = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left( D(F_{\Sigma^-} \circ F_{\Sigma^+}) \Big|_{y_{\Sigma^-}=0} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \alpha - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \left( \beta - \frac{1}{\beta} \right) - \left( \alpha + \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \left( \beta + \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \cos 2\eta \right].$$

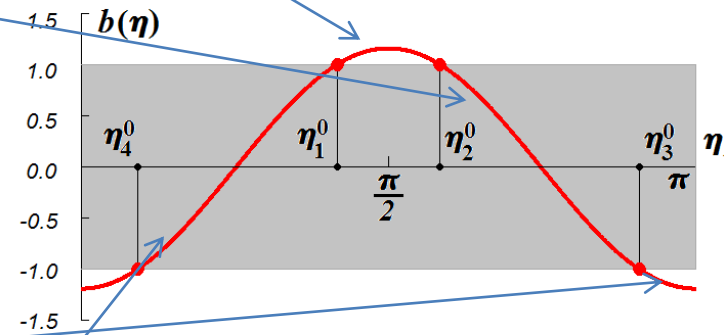
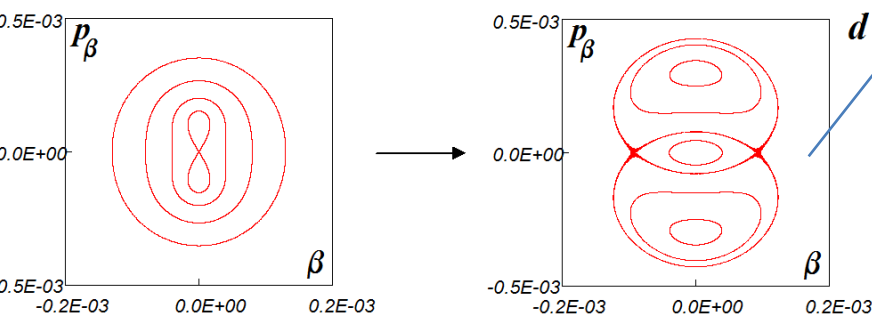
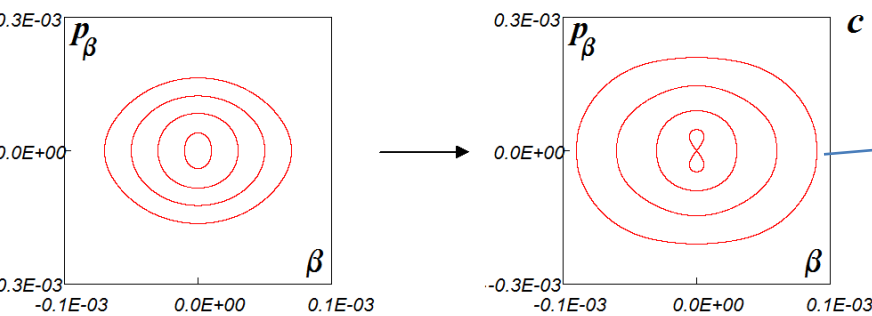
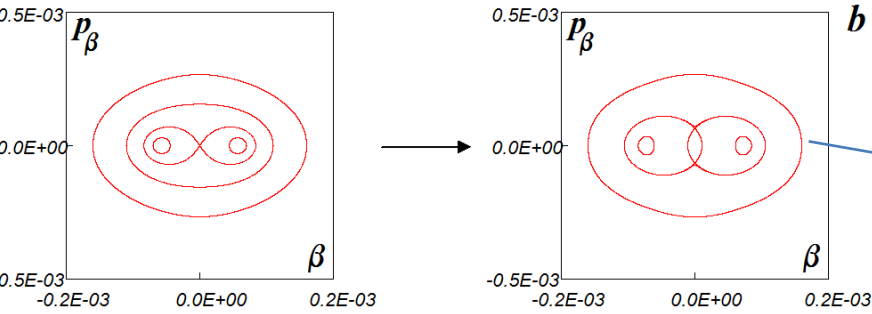
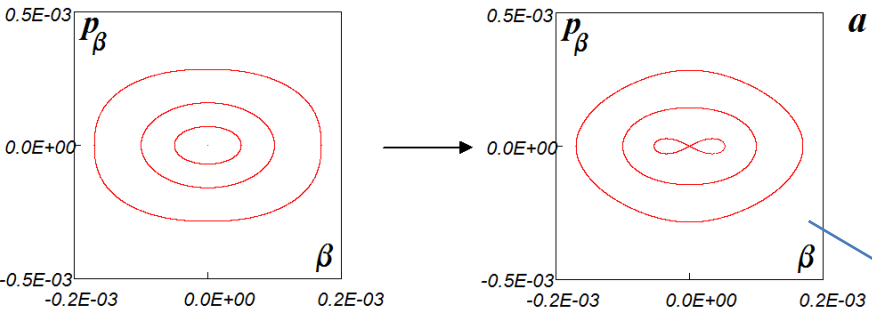
$$\eta = -\frac{1}{\kappa} \ln |2h| + c_0$$

The alternation of stability and instability in the family of plane oscillations

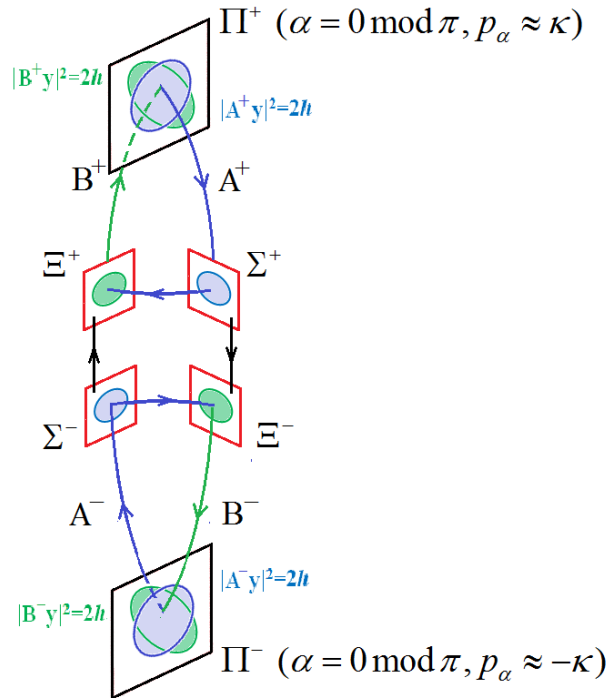




# Motion properties at $h < 0$



# Motion properties at $h > 0$



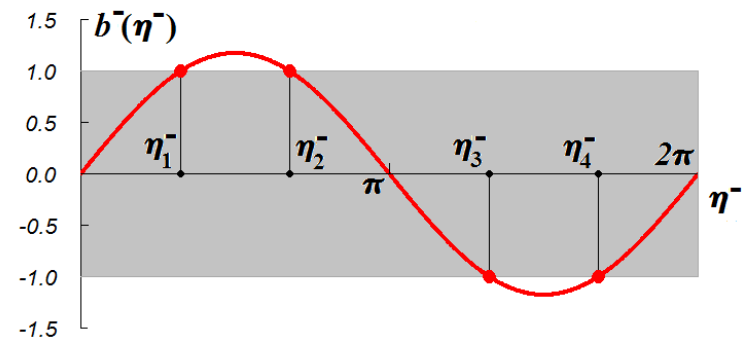
The alternation of stability and instability in the family of planar rotations

Stability of fixed point  $y=0$

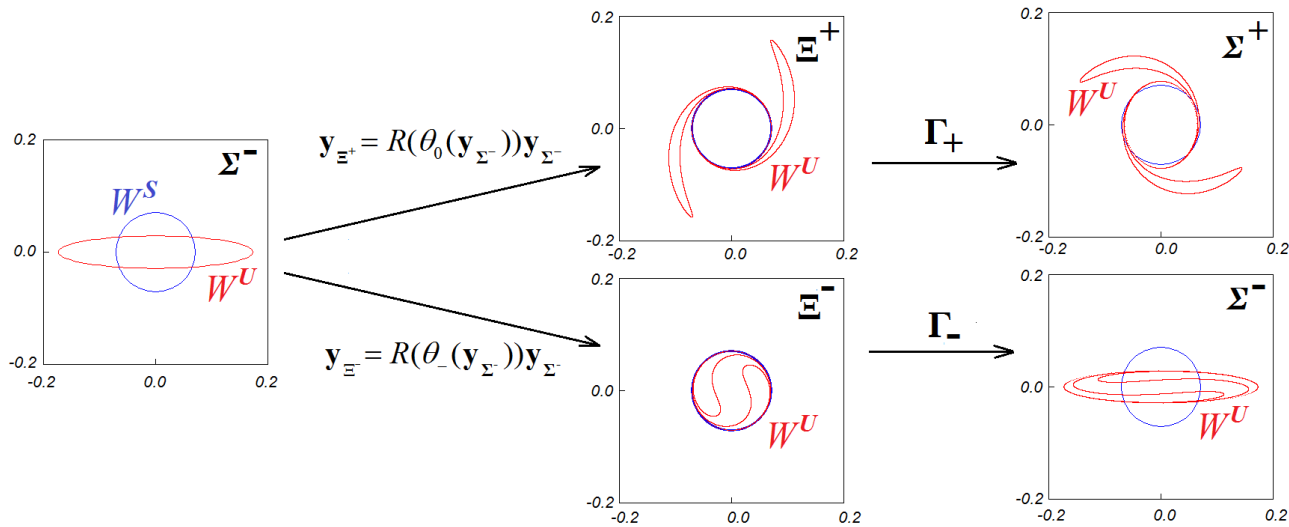
$$b^+(\eta^+) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \alpha + \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \sin \eta^+$$

$$b^-(\eta^-) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \beta + \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \sin \eta^-$$

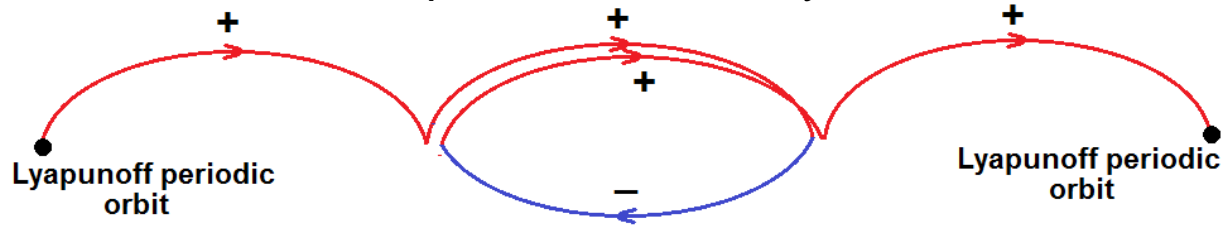
$$\eta^\pm = -\frac{1}{\kappa} \ln(2h) + c^\pm$$



# Coding of doubly asymptotic motions ( $h > 0$ )



Let's mark the motion close to the upper separatrix with the symbol ``+'' and mark the motion close to the lower separatrix with the symbol ``-''.



Code of the trajectory:  
+ + - + +

**Proposition:** there are possible doubly asymptotic motions corresponding to any finite sequence of symbols + and -.

# Conclusion & Future Work

- The analysis revealed previously unknown properties of the rotational motion of a body in a gravitational field
- Approximate formulas for the mappings generated by the phase flow simplify numerical studies
- It would be interesting to consider the case of an asymmetric body or a case where the projection of the kinetic moment on the axis of symmetry of the body is nonzero.

Picture generated by a neural network for the request  
“rotational motion of a rigid body in a gravitational field”



**Thank you for your attention!**