

# Mathematics for Fusion Power part 6

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Weak Isodrasticity

Strong isodrasticity

## Beyond omnigenity

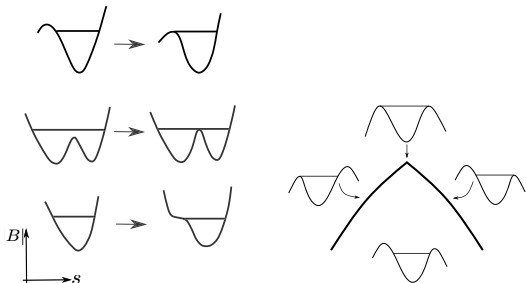
- ▶ Good conservation of  $L = \int_{\gamma} p_{\parallel} b^b$  is not guaranteed when bounce period  $T$  is large, so omnigenity might not guarantee small  $\langle \psi \rangle$  near marginal cases.
- ▶ Also, change of ZGCM class can produce a large change in region visited, or transition into a class whose trajectories are not bounded (like ripple bouncers).
- ▶ Equilibria with anisotropic pressure (but no flow) might not have a flux function. Closest is  $i_b dp_{\perp} + |B| i_b d\left(\frac{p_{\parallel} - p_{\perp}}{|B|}\right) = 0$ .
- ▶ But for confinement, don't need all GC motion to stay close to flux surfaces. Indeed, don't need flux surfaces: for  $B \in C^3$ , approximate integrability of  $B$  suffices to confine circulating GCs, and approximate conservation of  $L$  suffices for bouncing GCs away from marginal cases.
- ▶ Idea: Drop requirement for a flux function, prevent transitions between classes of GC motion, and make some KAM tori in each relevant class.

## Isodrastic fields

- ▶ Magnetic fields for which transitions in FGCM between different types of ZGCM are prevented. Assume  $B \in C^r$ ,  $r \geq 2$ .
- ▶ Can formulate without assuming a flux function.
- ▶ Say  $B$  is *weak isodrastic* if marginal cases are never reached from non-marginal ones by  $L$ -reduced FGCM (Cary & Shasharina call it omnigenity for marginally trapped particles).
- ▶  $L$ -reduced dynamics in scaled variables  $h = E/\mu$ ,  $j = L/\sqrt{m\mu}$ : reduced phase space  $F_j$  at given  $j \in \mathbb{R}^+$  is the space of possible segments  $\gamma$  for ZGCM with  $\int_\gamma \sqrt{2(h - |B|)} = j$  for some  $h \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $|B| = h$  at the ends of  $\gamma$  and  $|B| < h$  in between. The reduced Hamiltonian  $H_j$  is the value of  $h$ . The symplectic form is  $\beta$  in any transverse section to the segments (it gives the same value in any transverse section). Gives reduced vector field  $X$  in scaled time  $\tau = \frac{\mu}{e}t$  by  $i_X\beta = -dH_j$ .
- ▶ Reduced dynamics not valid near marginal cases, but continue nonetheless; later, treat transitions exactly (strong isodrasticity), discover reduced dynamics gives correct 1st order answer.

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- ▶ In general,  $F_j$  consists of several  $C^r$  surfaces, limited by curves of non-degenerate marginal cases (local maximum at an end or interior point of  $\gamma$ ), which in turn possibly meet in doubly marginal points (non-quadratic critical point or heteroclinic).



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- ▶  $H_j$  is differentiable at all non-marginal points of  $F_j$ : given vector field on  $F_j$ , extend to GC phase space by any smooth vector field  $X$  that takes  $B$ -lines to  $B$ -lines with  $\frac{1}{2}u_{\parallel}^2 + |B| = H_j$ . Then a calculation gives

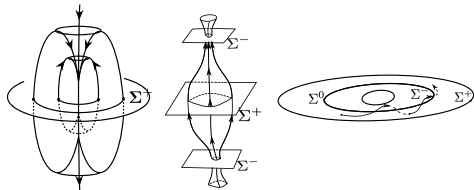
$$i_X dH_j = \frac{1}{T} \int (i_{X_{\perp}} d|B| + 2(H_j - |B|)\Omega(X, b, c)) dt$$

with  $T = \int dt$  for ZGCM.

- ▶ So  $i_X dH_j = \langle i_{X_{\perp}} (d|B| + 2(H_j - |B|)\kappa^b) \rangle$ , with  $\kappa$  curvature vector of fieldlines.
- ▶ In particular, note that as a segment approaches (single) marginality then  $dH_j \rightarrow d|B|$  at the point with  $i_B d|B| = 0$ , because the period is dominated by time near that point.

## Critical points of $|B|$ along $B$

- ▶ To address marginality, need the set  $\Sigma$  of critical points of  $|B|$  along fieldlines, i.e. the zeroes of  $|B|' = i_b d|B|$ .
- ▶ Subdivide  $\Sigma$  into  $\Sigma^+ \cup \Sigma^0 \cup \Sigma^-$  according to the sign of  $|B|''$ .



- ▶ Marginality consists of having an endpoint in  $\Sigma^{-0} = \Sigma^- \cup \Sigma^0$ .
- ▶ Bouncing segments have a point of  $\Sigma^+ \cup \Sigma^0$  in their interior.
- ▶  $\Sigma$  is a  $C^{r-1}$  surface as long as  $d(|B|') \neq 0$ , which is generic on  $\Sigma$ . In particular, it is guaranteed on  $\Sigma^\pm$  (where  $i_b d(|B|') \neq 0$ ), so  $\Sigma^\pm$  are always  $C^{r-1}$  surfaces.
- ▶ For  $r \geq 3$ ,  $\Sigma^0$  is generically a  $C^{r-2}$  curve forming common boundary of  $\Sigma^\pm$ : defined by  $|B|' = 0, |B|'' = 0$ , so fails only if  $d|B|', d|B|''$  parallel, which sums to 4 conditions in 3 variables.

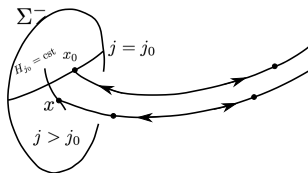
## Reformulation

- ▶  $B$  is weak isodrastic iff marginal segments remain marginal.
- ▶ Define functions  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{J}^\pm$  on  $\Sigma^-$  by  $\mathcal{H} = |B|_{|\Sigma^-}$  and  $\mathcal{J}^\sigma = \int_{\gamma^\sigma} \sqrt{2(\mathcal{H} - |B|)} |ds|$  for the segment  $\gamma^\sigma$  from the chosen point of  $\Sigma^-$  in direction  $\sigma \in \{\pm\}$  to the first point at which  $|B| = \mathcal{H}$  again (if exists).
- ▶ Note that for  $x \in \Sigma^-$ ,  $H_{\mathcal{J}^\sigma(x)}(x) = \mathcal{H}(x)$ , and as a segment endpoint approaches  $\Sigma^-$ ,  $dH_j \rightarrow d\mathcal{H}$ .
- ▶ For  $A \subset \Sigma^{-0}$  let  $A^\sigma$  be the subset without heteroclinic connection in direction  $\sigma$ .
- ▶ **Theorem:**
  1. If  $B$  weak isodrastic &  $\sigma \in \{\pm\}$  then  $d\mathcal{H}, d\mathcal{J}^\sigma$  are linearly dependent at each point of  $\Sigma^{-\sigma}$ ;
  2. If  $B$  weak isodrastic and  $\Sigma^{0\sigma}$  smooth then  $\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{J}^\sigma$  are constant on connected components of  $\Sigma^{0\sigma}$ ;
  3. If  $\mathcal{J}^\pm$  constant on components of level sets of  $\mathcal{H}$  then  $B$  weak isodrastic.
- ▶ Informally,  $B$  weak isodrastic iff contours of  $\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{J}^\pm$  on  $\Sigma^{-0}$  coincide.



# Proof

1. If  $d\mathcal{J}^\sigma, d\mathcal{H}$  indpt at  $x_0 \in \Sigma^{-\sigma}$ , let  $j_0 = \mathcal{J}^\sigma(x_0)$ .  $\mathcal{J}^{-1}(j_0)$  is locally a smooth curve and the boundary of  $F_{j_0}$ .  $d\mathcal{H}(x_0) \neq 0$  and tangent to  $\partial F_{j_0}$  not in  $\ker d\mathcal{H}$ .  $dH_{j_0} \rightarrow d\mathcal{H}$  as  $x_0$  is approached from  $\text{Int} F_{j_0}$ . So  $\ker dH_{j_0}$  is transverse to the boundary near  $x_0$ . So trajectories of the reduced dynamics reach the boundary in finite positive time for one



sign of  $e$ . So  $B$  is not weak isodrastic.

2.  $\Sigma^{0\sigma}$  smooth curve and  $\mathcal{H}$  not constant along it implies  $\exists x_0 \in \Sigma^{0\sigma}$  where  $d\mathcal{H}v \neq 0$  for a tangent  $v$  to  $\Sigma^0$ . So  $v \neq \ker d\mathcal{H}$ . Let  $j_0 = \mathcal{J}^\sigma(x_0)$ . Then  $dH_{j_0} \rightarrow d\mathcal{H}$  as  $x_0$  is approached from  $\Sigma^-$ . Thus  $\ker dH_{j_0}$  is transverse to  $\Sigma^0$  near  $x_0$ . So trajectories of the reduced dynamics reach  $\Sigma^0$  in finite positive time for one sign of  $e$ . So  $B$  is not weak isodrastic. Thus weak isodrastic implies  $\mathcal{H}$  constant along smooth components of  $\Sigma^{0\sigma}$ . Since we proved in 1. that it also implies  $d\mathcal{H} \wedge d\mathcal{J}^\sigma = 0$  up to the boundary of  $F_{j_0}$  then  $\mathcal{J}^\sigma$  is also constant along the boundary.

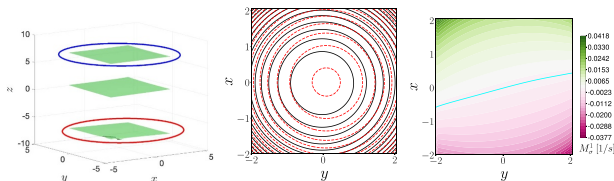
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3. Suppose  $\mathcal{J}^\sigma$  constant on level sets of  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let  $\gamma$  be a trajectory of reduced dynamics for segments on side  $\sigma$  of  $\Sigma^-$  s.t.  $\gamma(0)$  is not marginal. If  $\gamma(t)$  is marginal for some positive time, there is a first such  $t_0$ , because the set of non-marginal cases is open. The initial value problem for  $x_0 = \gamma(t_0)$  has unique solution because the reduced dynamics is a factor of the full GC dynamics.  $x_0$  is not an equilibrium point else it was not possible to reach it in finite time from  $\gamma(0)$ . So for  $j = \mathcal{J}^\sigma(x_0)$ ,  $dH_j(x_0) \neq 0$ . Thus  $d\mathcal{H}(x_0) \neq 0$ , so the level set of  $\mathcal{H}$  containing  $x_0$  is locally a smooth curve  $\Gamma$ . By hypothesis,  $\mathcal{J}^\sigma$  is constant along it, so  $H_j$  is constant along it. So  $\Gamma$  is locally invariant. But that implies that  $t_0$  was not the first time that  $\gamma(t)$  is marginal.

The case that a segment is split by an interior local maximum of  $|B|$  can be treated the same way, replacing  $\mathcal{J}^\sigma$  by  $\mathcal{J}^+ + \mathcal{J}^-$ .  $\square$

# Transition flux

- ▶ Quantify failure of weak isodrasticity by  $d\mathcal{H} \wedge d\mathcal{J}^\sigma$ . Can write it as  $\mathcal{M}^\sigma \beta$  and quantify by the function  $\mathcal{M}^\sigma$  on  $\Sigma^-$ .



**Figure:** The parts of  $\Sigma$  above  $[-2, 2]^2$  for a non-axisymmetric mirror field of two circular coils with weaker field at top neck, contours of  $\mathcal{H}$ ,  $\mathcal{J}$  on upper  $\Sigma^-$ , and  $\mathcal{M}$  there.

- ▶ Liouville volume  $\Lambda = \frac{1}{2}\omega \wedge \omega = e\beta \wedge d(p_{\parallel} b^b) = e\tilde{B}_{\parallel}\Omega \wedge dp_{\parallel}$  on GC phase space.
- ▶ **Theorem:** The transition flux-form for GCM corresponding to segments in direction  $\sigma$  from  $\Sigma^-$  becoming marginal is  $2\sigma m^{1/2}\mu^{3/2}\mathcal{M}^\sigma\beta$ .

## Proof & Consequences

- ▶ Phase-space volume-flux for a 2DoF Hamiltonian system  $i_X \Lambda = dH \wedge \omega$ . So given an area  $A$  on  $\Sigma^-$  and a choice of direction  $\sigma$  from it, the corresponding transition flux is  $\int_{\phi(A)} dH \wedge \omega$ , where  $\phi(A)$  denotes the 3D volume produced by flowing  $A \times \{p_{\parallel} = 0\}$  along ZGCM in direction  $\sigma$  and back.
- ▶  $dH = \mu d\mathcal{H}$  and integrating  $\omega$  along each homoclinic of ZGCM gives  $2\sigma d \int_{\gamma} p_{\parallel} b^b = 2\sigma dL = 2\sigma \sqrt{m\mu} d\mathcal{J}$ . So  $\int_{\phi(A)} dH \wedge \omega = 2\sigma \mu \sqrt{m\mu} \int_A d\mathcal{H} \wedge d\mathcal{J}$ , and the reduced flux-form is  $2\sigma m^{1/2} \mu^{3/2} \mathcal{M}\beta$ . □
- ▶ For the rate of splitting of segments into two by  $\Sigma^-$ , add the two transition fluxes.
- ▶ Liouville volume in the 3DoF phase space converts to  $m\tilde{B}_{\parallel} \Omega \wedge dp_{\parallel} \wedge d\mu \wedge d\phi = \frac{m}{e} \Lambda \wedge d\mu \wedge d\phi$  in gyro-coordinates.
- ▶ For particle number density  $\rho$  in the full 3DoF phase space, obtain gyro-averaged density  $2\pi \frac{m}{e} \bar{\rho}$  wrt  $\Lambda \wedge d\mu$ .
- ▶ Then number flux transitioning is  $4\pi \frac{m^{3/2}}{e} \sigma \langle \bar{\rho} \rangle \mathcal{M}\beta \wedge \mu^{3/2} d\mu$  in  $\Sigma^- \times \{\mu\}$ , for bounce-average  $\langle \bar{\rho} \rangle$  along marginal segment.

## Perturbed tokamak example

- ▶ In cylindrical polars,  $B^R = -\frac{z}{R} - \varepsilon \cos \phi$ ,  $B^\phi = \frac{C}{R^2}$ ,  
 $B^z = 1 - \frac{1}{R} + \varepsilon \frac{z}{R} \cos \phi$ .

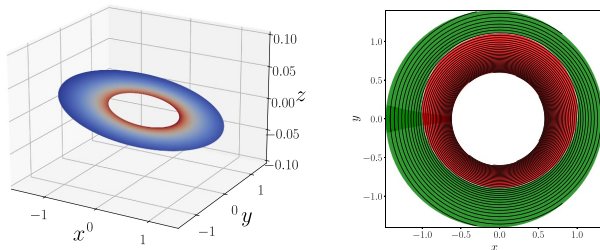


Figure:  $\Sigma$ , contours of  $\mathcal{H}$  on  $\Sigma$  and green for  $\Sigma^+$ , red for  $\Sigma^-$ .

- ▶ Remains to compute  $\mathcal{J}^\pm$ . Many branches, depending on number of poloidal turns before bouncing. Separated by heteroclinic cases.
- ▶ Note that contours of  $\mathcal{H}$  crossing from green to red indicate short bouncers that become unstable to long bouncing (left or right or over the top).

## $\Sigma$ for stellarators

- ▶ Distinguish three types for  $\Sigma$  in toroidal configurations.
  1.  $\Sigma T$ : The main component of  $\Sigma$  is an annulus making no poloidal turns for one **toroidal** turn, subdivided into  $\Sigma^\pm$  by a closed curve of  $\Sigma^0$ ; there may be additional components corresponding to ripple.
  2.  $\Sigma P$ : The main components are **poloidal** disks in a toroidal sequence, alternating between  $\Sigma^\pm$ .
  3.  $\Sigma H$ : The main component is a **helical** annulus making  $N$  poloidal turns for 1 toroidal turn, subdivided into  $\Sigma^\pm$  by a closed curve of  $\Sigma^0$ . Could allow  $M \neq 1$  toroidal turns with self-intersection along  $\Sigma^0$ , but not a generic case.
- ▶ Omnigenous fields are a special case of weak isodrastic.

## Realisability of weak isodrasticity

- ▶ We can make non-axisymmetric isodrastic mirror fields, including ones that are not omnigenous, e.g.
- ▶ Choose  $\mathcal{B}(s, u, v) = c + r^2 - a(u, v)s^2 + b(u, v)s^3$ , where  $r^2 = u^2 + v^2$ ,  $a, b > 0$ , on an open neighbourhood of  $r \leq r_0$ ,  $0 \leq s \leq \frac{b}{a}$ , and assume  $c + r^2 > \frac{4a^3}{27b^2}$  so that  $\mathcal{B} > 0$ .
- ▶ Field  $\mathcal{B}\partial_s$  has  $\Sigma^- = \{s = 0\}$ ,  $\mathcal{H}(u, v) = c + r^2$ ,  $\mathcal{J}(u, v) = \int_0^{a/b} \sqrt{2(as^2 - bs^3)} ds = \frac{4\sqrt{2}a^{5/2}}{15b^2}$ . So it is isodrastic if  $a^{5/2}b^{-2}$  is a function of  $r$  only.
- ▶ The field has a flux function  $r^2$ , but local minimum of  $\mathcal{B}$  at  $s_m = \frac{2a}{3b}$  has  $\mathcal{B}(s_m) - \mathcal{H} = -\frac{4a^3}{27b^2}$ , so if we choose this not to be a function of only  $r$  then the field is not omnigenous.
- ▶ To realise in Euclidean space  $(x, y, z)$ , want a diffeomorphism  $\phi : (s, u, v) \mapsto (x, y, z)$  such that  $|\phi_*\partial_s|^2 = 1$  and  $\text{div } B = 0$  for  $B = \phi_*(\mathcal{B}\partial_s)$ . Or let  $\beta = \phi_*(du \wedge dv)$  (closed), ask for  $\phi^*|\beta| = \mathcal{B}$  &  $|\phi_*\partial_s|^2 = 1$  and define  $B$  by  $i_B(dx \wedge dy \wedge dz) = \beta$ . The conditions for  $\phi$  are 2 PDEs in first derivatives. If  $\mathcal{B}$  is analytic then  $\exists$  local solution by Cauchy-Kovalevskaya theorem. Hence a solution on the required domain if  $c$  is large enough.

# Illustration

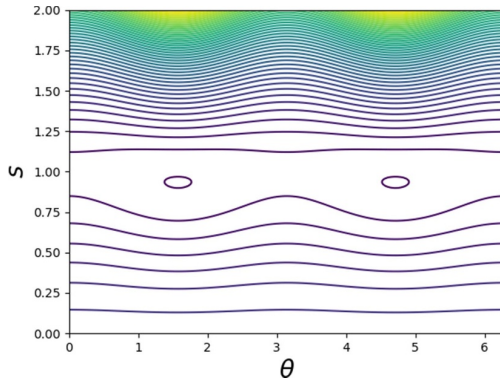


Figure:  $B$ -contours on a flux surface  $r = \text{constant}$  in polar angle  $\theta$  and arclength  $s$ , for an isodrastic field that is not omnigenous.

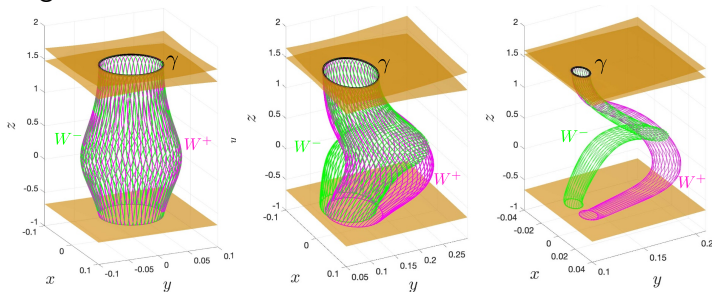


## Isodrastic stellarator fields?

- ▶ Want to make weak isodrastic stellarator fields that are not omnigenous. In particular, try to make with all marginal segments heteroclinic. Then  $\mathcal{H}$  extends to a flux function. If can specify  $|B|$  as function of arclength  $s$  from  $\Sigma^-$  then can make  $\mathcal{J}$  a function of only  $\mathcal{H}$ , and  $B_{\min}$  not. But a priori don't know the length from one piece of  $\Sigma^-$  to the next.
- ▶ Using  $\mathcal{H}$  as flux function, have local coordinate  $\int i_B \mathcal{A}$  on flux surfaces that is preserved by  $B$ , so can make a coordinate system in which  $B$ -lines are straight.
- ▶ But what to specify in these coordinates and how to realise it as image of a divergence-free field in Euclidean space?

## Strong isodrastic fields

- ▶ There is an exact version of isodrasticity for FGCM:  $\Sigma^-$  is a submanifold consisting of saddles for ZGCM, so persists to a normally hyperbolic submanifold (NHS) for FGCM.
- ▶ Say field is (strong) *isodrastic* if forwards & backwards contracting submanifolds of NHS coincide in relevant directions.



**Figure:** Projection to physical space of a hyperbolic periodic orbit  $\gamma$  of FGCM with one direction of contracting manifolds  $W^\pm$  up to first bounce, for (a) an axisymmetric field, (b) a non-axisymmetric one, (c)  $E/\mu$  close to minimum of  $|B|$  on  $\Sigma^-$ . Brown is  $|B| = E/\mu$ .

## Normal hyperbolicity theory

- ▶ Informally, an invariant submanifold  $N$  of a  $C^r$  ( $r \geq 1$ ) vector field  $V$  on manifold  $M$  is *normally hyperbolic* if any forwards “normal” contraction onto  $N$  is at faster rate than any forwards contraction tangent to  $N$ , and same for backwards.
- ▶ e.g.  $\dot{x} = -y, \dot{y} = x, \dot{u} = u, \dot{s} = -s$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ,  $N = \{u, s = 0\}$ .
- ▶ Contracting submanifolds: For  $\sigma = \pm$ , let  $W^\sigma(N) =$  set of points in  $M$  whose trajectory in direction  $\sigma$  of time converges to  $N$ . They are (injectively immersed) submanifolds of  $M$ , containing  $N$ . Furthermore, they are the unions of submanifolds  $W^\pm(x)$  (Arnol'd's contracting whiskers) of points whose trajectories converge together with that of a point  $x \in N$ .
- ▶ Persistence theorem: For  $C^r$ -small change to  $V$ , an NHS persists and is  $C^s$  for any  $s \leq r$  and  $<$  ratios of normal to tangential contraction rates in forwards and backwards time (technical conditions if not compact or only locally invariant).
- ▶ So an approximately invariant submanifold with suitable contraction estimates implies a true NHS nearby.

## Scaled FGCM

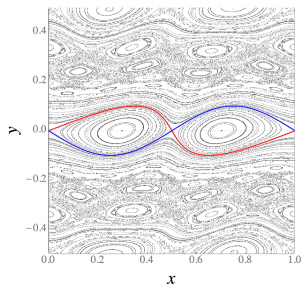
- ▶ Recall scaling to make  $\dot{Q} = \tilde{B}_{\parallel}^{-1}(u_{\parallel} \tilde{B} + \delta b \times \nabla |B|)$ ,  
 $\dot{u}_{\parallel} = -\frac{\tilde{B}}{\tilde{B}_{\parallel}} \cdot \nabla |B|$ , with  $\tilde{B} = B + \delta u_{\parallel} \text{curl } b$ ,  $\tilde{B}_{\parallel} = \tilde{B} \cdot b$ ,  
Hamiltonian with  $H = \frac{1}{2} u_{\parallel}^2 + |B|$ ,  $\omega = \frac{\beta}{\delta} + d(u_{\parallel} b^b)$ .
- ▶ Then for  $\delta = 0$ ,  $N = \Sigma^{-} \times \{u_{\parallel} = 0\}$  is invariant. It consists entirely of equilibrium points. The linearised normal dynamics is hyperbolic:  $\dot{s} = u_{\parallel}$ ,  $\dot{u}_{\parallel} = -|B|''s$ . So it is an NHS.
- ▶ So it persists to an NHS for all small enough  $\delta$ .
- ▶ Dynamics on the NHS is Hamiltonian because  $\omega|_N$  is non-degenerate. 1 DoF & to leading order  $H = |B|$ . So to leading order dynamics looks like vector field  $X$  given by  $i_X \beta = \delta d|B|$  on  $\Sigma^{-}$ , i.e. periodic orbits along the closed level sets of  $|B|_{\Sigma^{-}}$ .
- ▶ Can compute it to any desired accuracy as a “symplectic slow manifold”. RS MacKay, Slow manifolds, in T Dauxois, A Litvak-Hinenzon, RS MacKay, A Spanoudaki (eds), Energy localisation and transfer (World Sci, 2004), 149–192.

## Contracting whiskers

- ▶ For  $\delta = 0$ , the contracting whiskers are the marginal trajectories of ZGCM approaching  $x \in \Sigma^-$  in time-direction  $\sigma$ .
- ▶ Those that bounce approach the same point of  $\Sigma^-$  in both directions of time, so their union over  $x \in \Sigma^-$  forms a *separatrix*: a closed invariant submanifold (but not smooth at  $N$ ) of codimension one. It separates two classes of ZGCM.
- ▶ For  $\delta > 0$ , the local whiskers move smoothly, but in general the separatrices are broken.
- ▶ Say  $B$  is *isodrastic* if the unions of the whiskers continue to form separatrices for all  $\delta > 0$  (perhaps too much to ask?).

## Examples of separatrices without integrability

- ▶ de la Llave map:  $y' = y + h(x), x' = x + y'$  with  $h(x) = g(x) + g^{-1}(x) - 2x$  for invertible degree-1 circle map  $g$ .

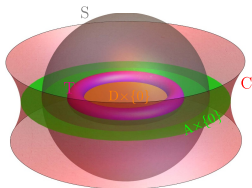
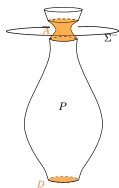
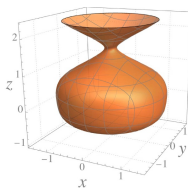


- ▶ Given  $S : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $S(x + m, y + n) = S(x, y) + mA + nB$  then  $H(q, p) = \frac{1}{2}|p|^2 - \frac{1}{2}|\nabla S(q)|^2$  on  $T^*\mathbb{T}^2$  has invariant graph  $p = \nabla S(q)$  in  $H^{-1}(0)$ .

## Visualisation of energy level

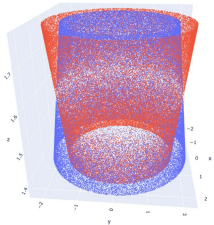
- ▶  $W^\pm(N) \cap H^{-1}(E)$  is typically one or more periodic orbits.  $H^{-1}(E)$  is a double cover of  $\{|B| \leq E/\mu\}$  glued along the boundary ( $p_{\parallel}^2 = 2m(E - \mu|B|)$ ). Projection to physical space identifies  $\pm p_{\parallel}$ .
- ▶ Better to choose coordinates  $(X, Y, W)$  so that  $|B| = E/\mu$  is flattened to  $W = 0$  and  $\pm p_{\parallel}$  correspond to  $\pm W$ .
- ▶ e.g. if accessible region is the inside of an amphora, centre  $(x, y)$  on the lowest point and find functions  $s, t$  such that writing  $(x, y) = t(z)(X, Y)$  and  $p_{\parallel} = s(z)W$  then  $\partial_z \left( \frac{s(z)^2}{2m} W^2 + \mu|B|(t(z)X, t(z)Y, z) \right) \neq 0$  on  $H^{-1}(E)$ . Then  $H^{-1}(E)$  is a graph  $z = Z(X, Y, W)$ , so eliminate  $z$  & plot

$(X, Y, W)$ .

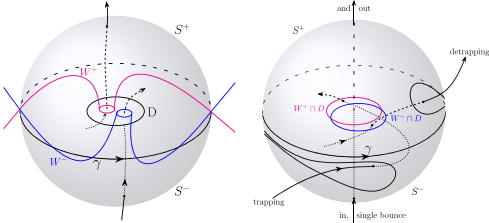


# Dynamics

- ▶ In particular, get a hyperbolic periodic orbit near neck, with contracting submanifolds (plotted using Wazewski principle).



And sketches of how they might continue:

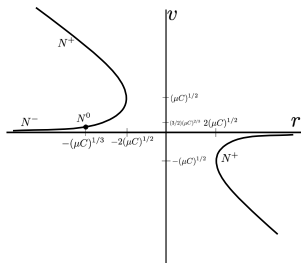
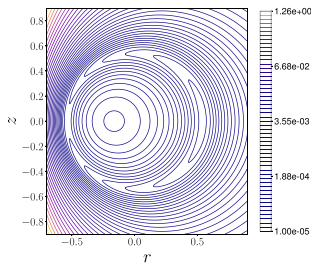


- ▶ Isodrastic is the case where the contracting submanifolds join.



## Perturbed tokamak example

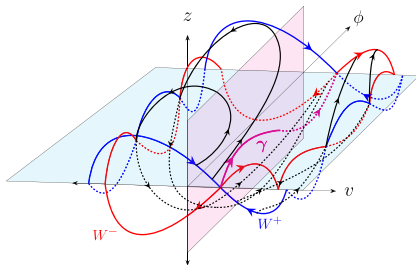
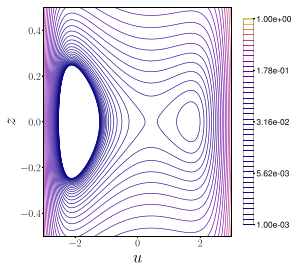
- ▶ Take scaling  $H = \frac{1}{2}v^2 + \mu|B|$ ,  $\omega = \beta + d(vb^b)$ .
- ▶ Axisymmetric case conserves  $p_\phi = \psi + \frac{vC}{|B|}$ , where  $\psi = \frac{1}{2}(r^2 + z^2)$  with  $r = R - 1$ .
- ▶ Contours of reduced Hamiltonian  $H_{p_\phi}$  for some value of  $p_\phi$ , and set of critical points of  $H_{p_\phi}$  in  $(r, v)$  ( $z = 0$ ).



- ▶  $\Sigma^- \times \{v = 0\}$  perturbs to NHS  $N^-$ . Get a normally elliptic submanifold  $N^+$  too from  $\Sigma^+$  and a transverse submanifold of circular periodic orbits in  $z = 0$  whose vertical components of parallel velocity and curvature drift cancel. [CHECK]

continued

- ▶ On breaking axisymmetry,  $p_\phi$  no longer conserved, so best to change view to level sets of  $p_\phi$ , given  $E$ . Axisymmetric case:



- ▶ So expect righthand picture on perturbation.
- ▶ MacKay RS, On guiding centre motion, in: Transport, chaos and plasma physics, eds Benkadda S, Doveil F, Elskens Y (World Sci, 1994) 96–101.

## Splitting of separatrices

- ▶ It is convenient to examine the splitting of the separatrices by following the contracting submanifolds to the first bounce.
- ▶ Let  $W^\pm(x)$  be the contracting whiskers of  $x \in N^-$  and  $\Xi^\pm(x)$  be fieldline labels of their first points with  $v = 0$ . Can use intersection with  $\Sigma^-$  as fieldline label. SKETCH
- ▶ Isodrastic requires  $\Xi^+(x) = \Xi^-(\tau(x))$  for some  $\tau(x) \in N^-$  in the same orbit as  $x$ .
- ▶ Generically,  $x$  is on a periodic orbit  $\gamma \subset N^-$  and  $\Xi^\pm(x)$  trace out closed curves  $\gamma^\pm$  in  $\Sigma^-$ .
- ▶  $\gamma^\pm$  enclose the same magnetic flux, equal to  $-\frac{1}{e} \int_\gamma \omega$  (use flux of energy-surface volume =  $\omega$ ).
- ▶ Isodrastic requires  $\gamma^\pm$  to coincide. Equivalent to  $\exists \tau$  such that  $\Xi^+(x) = \Xi^-(\phi_\tau(x))$  for  $x \in \gamma$ .
- ▶ Otherwise, they may intersect, forming lobes of transitioning flux; or miss each other, forming disks of transitioning flux.
- ▶ The flux for a lobe equals the difference in actions  $\int eA^b + p_{\parallel} b^b$  between homoclinic orbits from the intersections.

## Case of equilibria

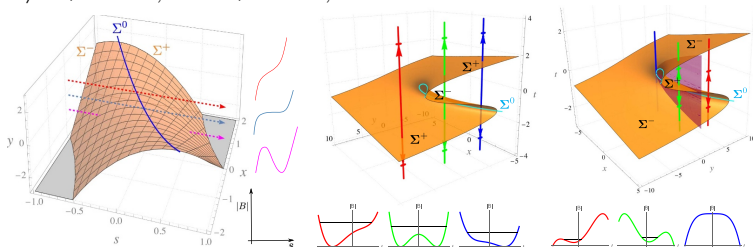
- ▶ If  $x \in N^-$  is an equilibrium point then in general  $\Xi^\pm(x)$  miss each other. It is codimension-2 to coincide.
- ▶ If they miss then so do  $\gamma^\pm$  for all small enough periodic orbits  $\gamma$  around it.

## Melnikov analysis

- ▶ Can compute the curves  $\gamma^\pm$  to first order in  $\delta$ : given a field-line label  $\xi$  (e.g.  $\mathcal{H}$  extended along field from  $\Sigma^-$ ) and a point  $x \in \Sigma^-$ , let  $n(x)$  be the point of  $N^-$  on the same fieldline, &  $a(s)$  be the covector at arclength  $s$  along ZGCM from  $x$  with  $a(0) = d\xi$  on  $T\Sigma^-$ ,  $a(0)b = 0$  and  $\frac{da_j}{ds} = -a_j \partial_i b^j$ ,  $\frac{dx}{ds} = b$ .
- ▶ Then the first order change  $\Delta\xi$  along  $W^\pm(n(x))$  to the first bounce is given by  $\pm\delta \mathcal{M}_\xi$ , where Poincaré-Melnikov function  $\mathcal{M}_\xi = \int \frac{u}{|B|} ac_\perp + \frac{1}{u}(a\eta - K) ds$  along the ZGCM from  $x$ , with  $\eta = \frac{b}{|B|} \times \nabla|B|$ ,  $K = a\eta$  at  $x$  and  $u = \sqrt{2(\mathcal{H} - |B|)}$ .
- ▶ So the first-order difference between  $\xi$  on  $\Xi^\pm$  is  $2\delta \mathcal{M}_\xi$ .
- ▶ Tidier to compute  $a$  and  $\mathcal{M}$  wrt fieldline time instead of  $s$ .
- ▶ For  $\xi = \mathcal{H}$  it simplifies to  $\mathcal{M}_\mathcal{H} = \int ak \frac{ds}{|B|}$  where  $k = \text{curl}(ub)$ .
- ▶ Can show  $d\mathcal{H} \wedge d\mathcal{J} = \mathcal{M}_\mathcal{H} \beta$ , so deduce that weak isodrasticity is the first-order condition for strong isodrasticity.
- ▶ For equilibrium points on  $N^-$ , choose two independent field-line labels to compute first-order displacement between  $\Xi^\pm$ .

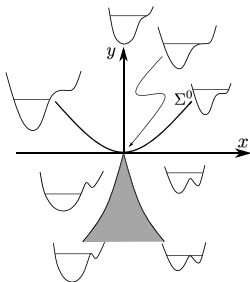
# Behaviour near generic $\Sigma^0$

- ▶ For a  $C^4$ -generic point of  $\Sigma^0$  there are fieldline labels  $x, y$  nearby for which  $|B| = f(x, y) + ys + xs^2 + ks^3 + as^4 + o(s^4)$  for  $(k, a) \neq (0, 0)$  and some function  $f$ .
- ▶ Then  $|B|' = y + 2xs + 3ks^2 + 4as^3 + o(s^3)$ , so  $\Sigma$  is locally  $y = -2xs - 3ks^2 - 4as^3 + o(s^3)$ .
- ▶  $|B|'' = 2x + 6ks + 12as^2 + o(s^2)$ , so  $\Sigma^0$  is locally  $x = -3ks - 6as^2 + o(s^2)$ ,  $y = 3ks^2 + 8as^3 + o(s^3)$ .
- ▶  $k \neq 0$ ;  $k = 0, a > 0$ ;  $k = 0, a < 0$ :



## Melnikov near $\Sigma^0$

- ▶ Define  $c$  by  $\beta = c(x, y)dx \wedge dy$ . Take  $k \neq 0$ . Use  $x, s$  as coordinates on  $\Sigma^-$  ( $x + 3ks < 0$ ). For short marginal bouncers to  $\Sigma^-$ ,  $\mathcal{M} = -\frac{\sqrt{-x-3ks}}{3ck^2}(2xs + 3ks^2 + 2xf_{,y} + 3kf_{,x})$ , evaluated at  $(x, -2xs - 3ks^2)$ , to leading order in  $s$ .
- ▶ So weak isodrastic requires  $kf_{,x} = 0$ , which is equivalent to  $\mathcal{H}$  constant along  $\Sigma^0$ .
- ▶ For long marginal bouncers, generic  $F_j$  for  $k \neq 0$  is



## Short bouncers around general $\Sigma^+$

- ▶ Bouncing GCs with short segment oscillate around  $\Sigma^+$ .
- ▶ The limit  $j \rightarrow 0$  of the reduced motion  $X$  is given by  $i_X \beta = -dH_0$  with  $H_0 = |B|$  on  $\Sigma^+$ .
- ▶ So bounded components of level sets of  $|B|$  on  $\Sigma^+$  can be used for approximate confinement.
- ▶ There is a true periodic orbit of FGCM near to such a level set.
- ▶ The short bouncers nearby have linear approximation  $H_j = |B| + \frac{j}{\pi} \sqrt{|B|''}$  on  $\Sigma^+$ .
- ▶ Generically for all small enough  $j > 0$ , there is a set of invariant tori for FGCM.
- ▶ If level set of  $|B|$  on  $\Sigma$  crosses from  $\Sigma^+$  to  $\Sigma^-$  then short bouncers lose stability and become long bouncers to one side or the other or both.