

KAM theorem: "persistence of donuts"

setup: integrable system $\mathcal{H}_0(\vec{I})$

$$\text{frequencies: } \omega_k(\vec{I}) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}_0}{\partial I_k}$$

$$\phi_k(t) = \omega_k(\vec{I})t + \phi_k(0)$$

pick initial conditions:

$(\vec{x}_0, \vec{p}_0) \Rightarrow$ choosing values of \vec{I}
(const. of motion)

\Rightarrow know freq. $\omega_k(\vec{I})$

\Rightarrow all traj. confined to
corresponding hypertorus
"donut" assoc. w/ \vec{I}

Question: what happens when you add a

perturbation:
$$\mathcal{H}(\vec{p}, \vec{I}) = \mathcal{H}_0(\vec{I}) + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{small}}}{\alpha} \mathcal{H}_1(\vec{p}, \vec{I})$$

Does the donut still exist?

KAM theorem says: We can prove "YES"
but only under certain conditions

conditions for proof:

1) torus is strongly non-resonant

RECALL: torus is resonant

when there exists a
vector of integers $\vec{v} \neq 0$

where $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{\omega} = 0$
" $(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n)$

non-resonant: no such vector exists

strongly non-resonant: for any $\vec{v} \neq 0$ vector
of integers

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{\omega} \geq \frac{\epsilon}{|\vec{v}|^2} \quad \text{for some real #'s}$$

$\epsilon + \tau > n-1$

note: for small ϵ , most tori are strongly
non-resonant

2) system is non-degenerate:

$$M_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2 H_0}{\partial I_i \partial I_j} = \frac{\partial \omega_i}{\partial I_j}$$

$n \times n$ matrix

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 $\det(M) \neq 0$

KAM statement: there $\delta > 0$

such that for perturbations
with $\alpha \leq \delta \epsilon^2$ all

strongly non-resonant tori

survive, & are only slightly
deformed

\Rightarrow we still get quasiperiodic trajectories

note: FPUT system is technically
degenerate \Rightarrow original KAM proof
does not apply

1970s: Nishida conjecture:
for low energies, KAM-like
behavior for FPUT

2005: Bob Rink proved conjecture
for FPUT

\hookrightarrow arXiv: 0506024

"Donut" classification of physical systems:

behavior of trajectories
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classical version  
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quantum version
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- confined to donuts
- confined to deformed donuts

$$H = H(\vec{I})$$

quantization rule

class. mech.

$$H = H_0(\vec{I}) + \alpha U(\vec{\phi}, \vec{I})$$

↑  
small

$$I_k = \hbar (n_k + c_k)$$

integer  $\geq 0$   
-const. Maslov correction

- not confined (no donuts!)  
chaos

more general Hamiltonians

( $\alpha$  no longer small)

no simple quantization rules exist

domain of statistical mechanics



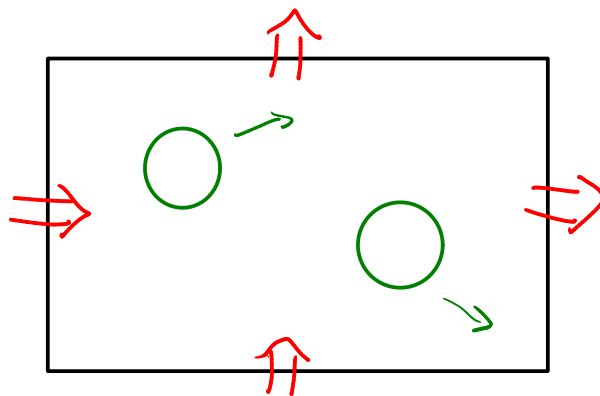
should lead to ergodicity + mixing  
(traj. visit all of phase space)

1970: first rigorous proof that a system could be ergodic + mixing  
⇒ Yakov Sinai

Sinai billiard:

hard disks  
colliding

phase space: all  
positions + velocities  
of disks



2D box w/ periodic B.C.

current state-of-art:

$N \geq 2$  d-dim. spheres

are almost proven ergodic