

Lifetime distributions in open quantum systems: beyond ballistic chaotic decay

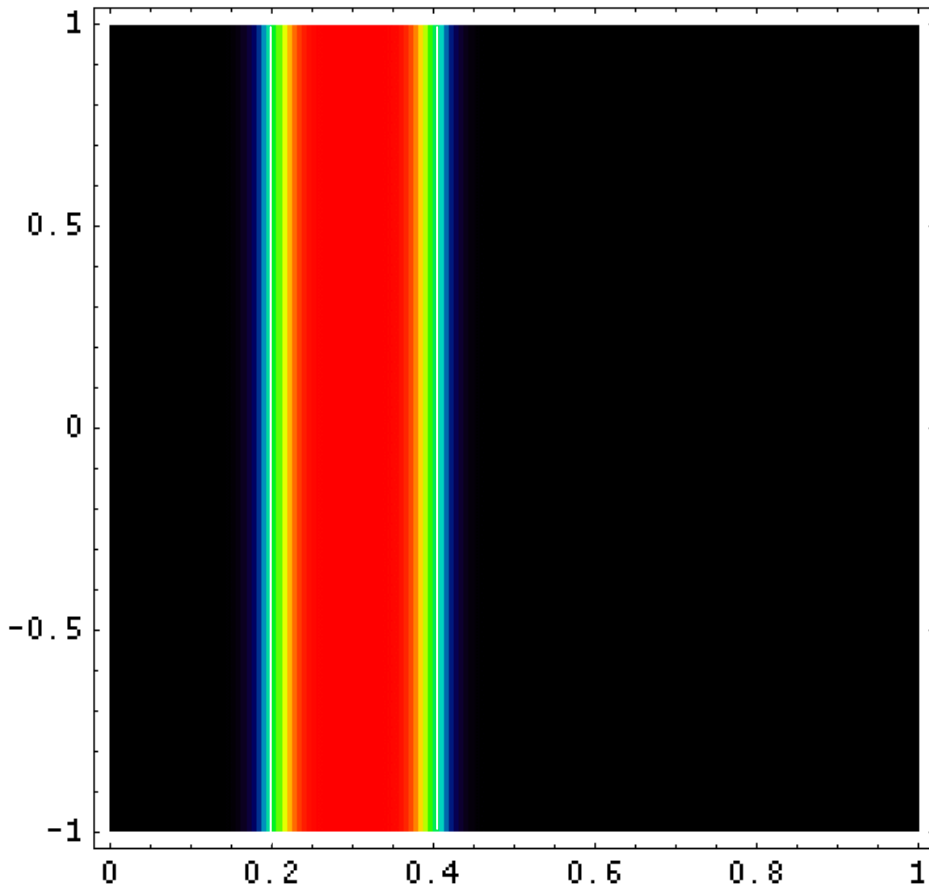
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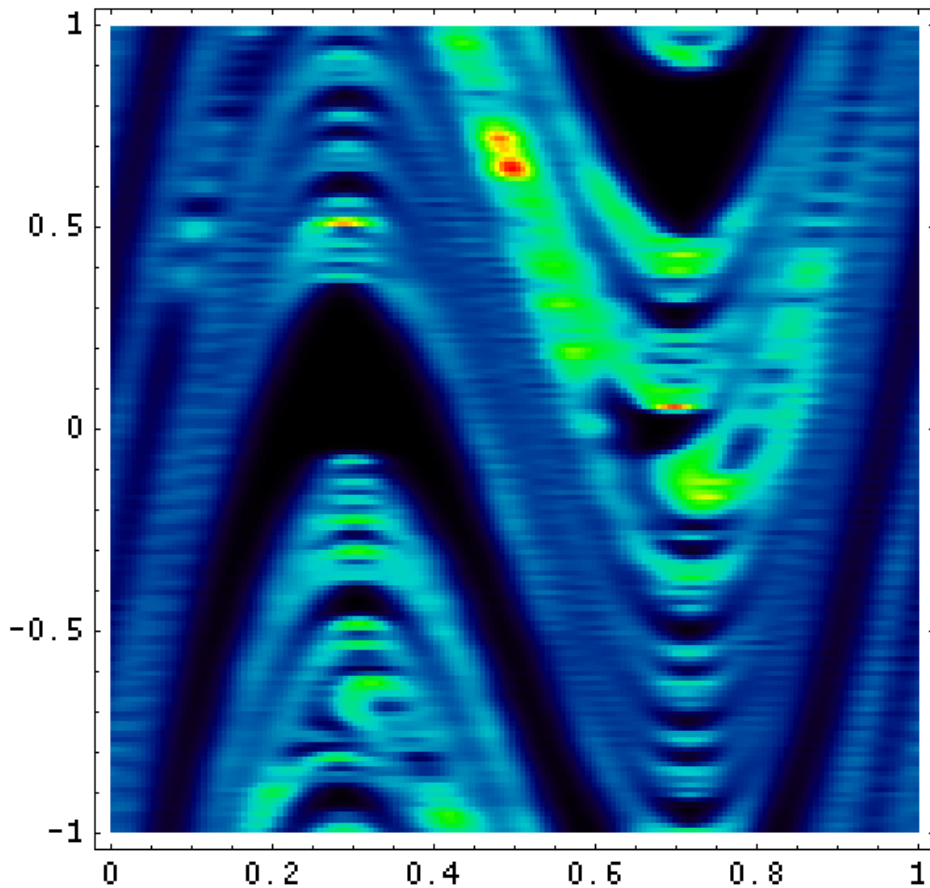
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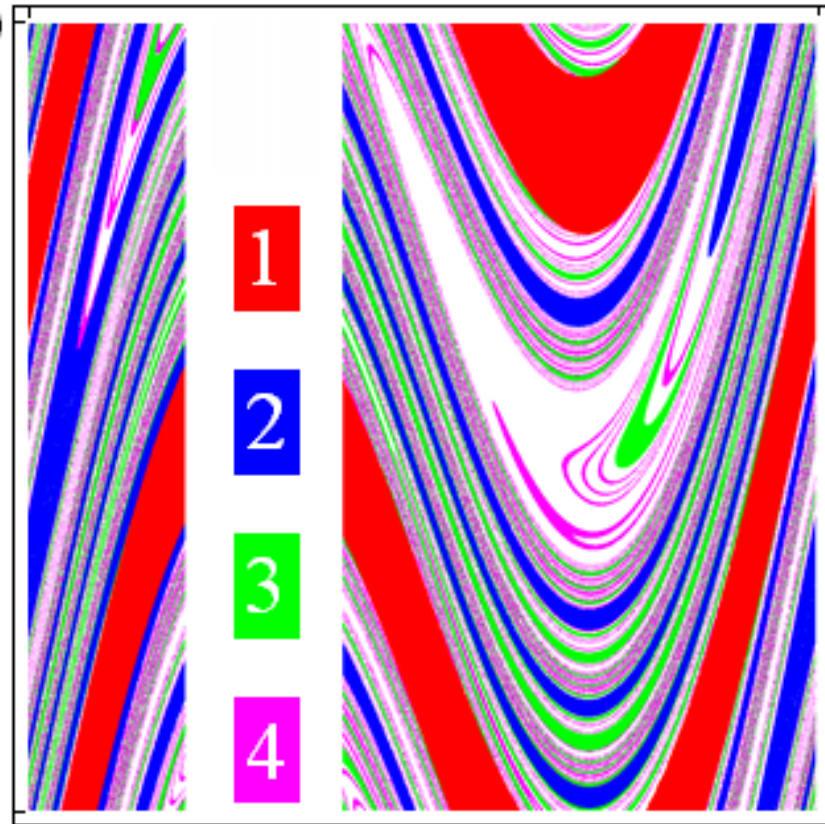
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Stroboscopic scattering theory:

Qm-cl correspondence

Goal: exploit this for resonance states



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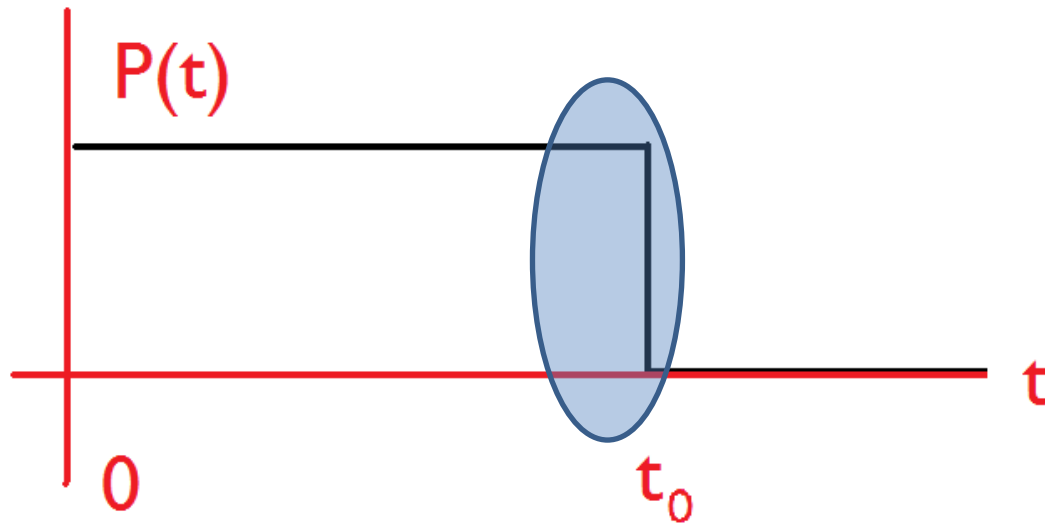
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Challenge: quasi-deterministic decay



$$\lim_{\Gamma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + e^{\Gamma(t-t_0)}}$$

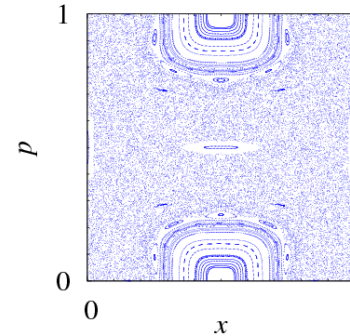
- Nominally diverging decay rates: $|\lambda| = \exp(\text{Im } \varepsilon) = 0$
- Resonance wave functions quasi-degenerate (defective eigensystem)

illustration: standard map/kicked rotator

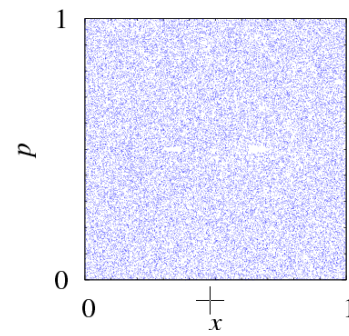
(classical)

$$\begin{aligned} x_{n+1} &= x_n + p_n \pmod{1} \\ p_{n+1} &= p_n + \frac{K}{2\pi} \sin(2\pi x_{n+1}) \pmod{1} \end{aligned}$$

K=2



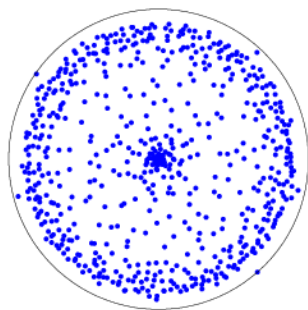
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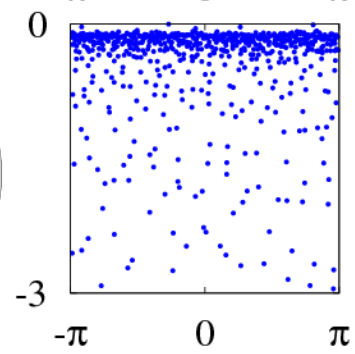
(qm)

$$F_{nm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{iM}} \exp\left[\frac{i\pi}{M}(m-n)^2 - \frac{iMK}{2\pi} \left(\cos 2\pi \frac{m}{M}\right)\right]$$

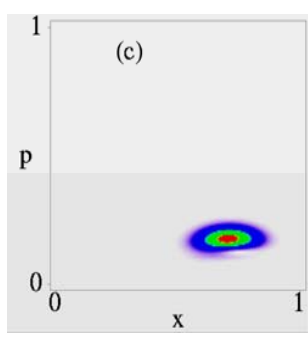
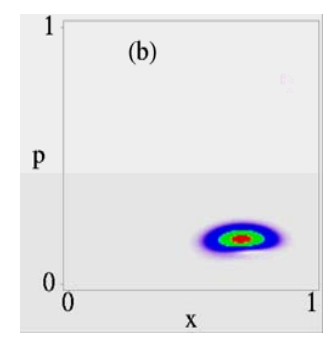
K=7.5, M=1280, N=256



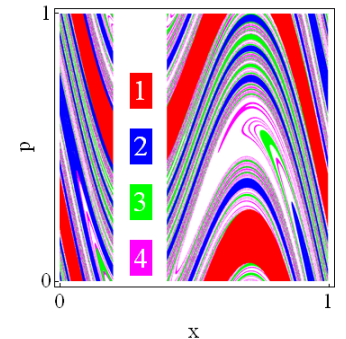
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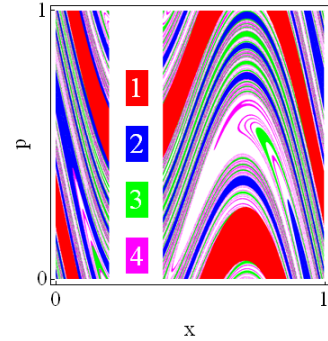


Resonances wave functions

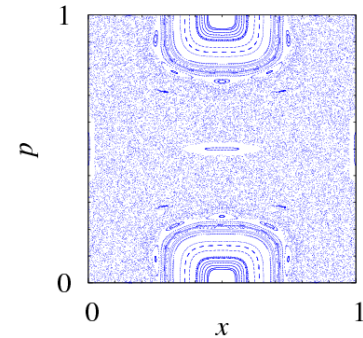


Escape zones

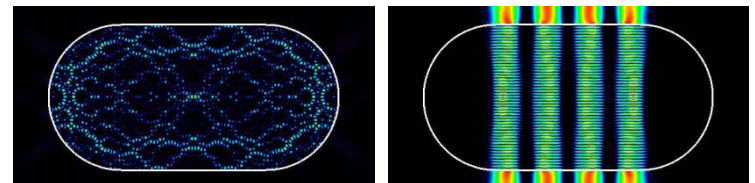
- **Classically chaotic systems** (with J Tworzydło):
fractal Weyl law (see M Zworski)
 - Goal: reinstate phase space rules



- **Mixed phase space** (with M Kopp):
... fractal Weyl law ...
 - Goal: test character of chaotic component

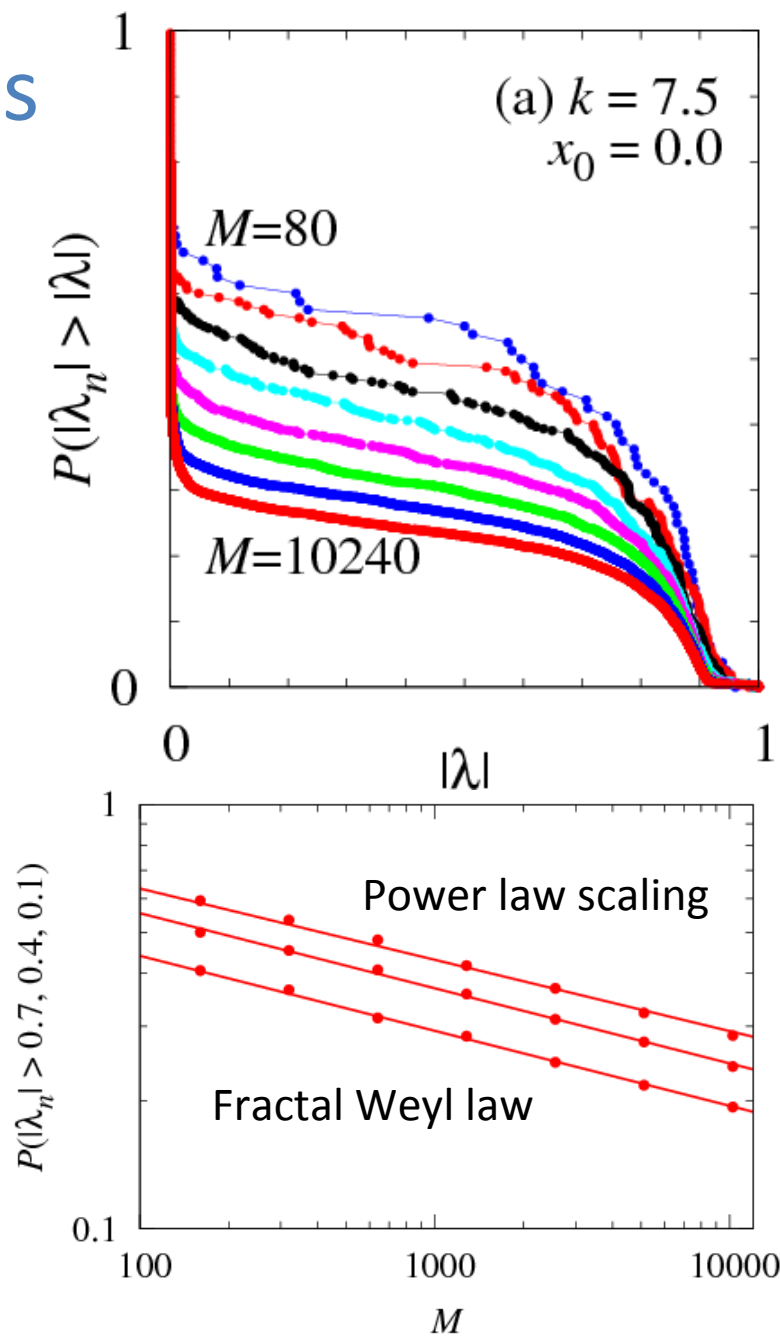
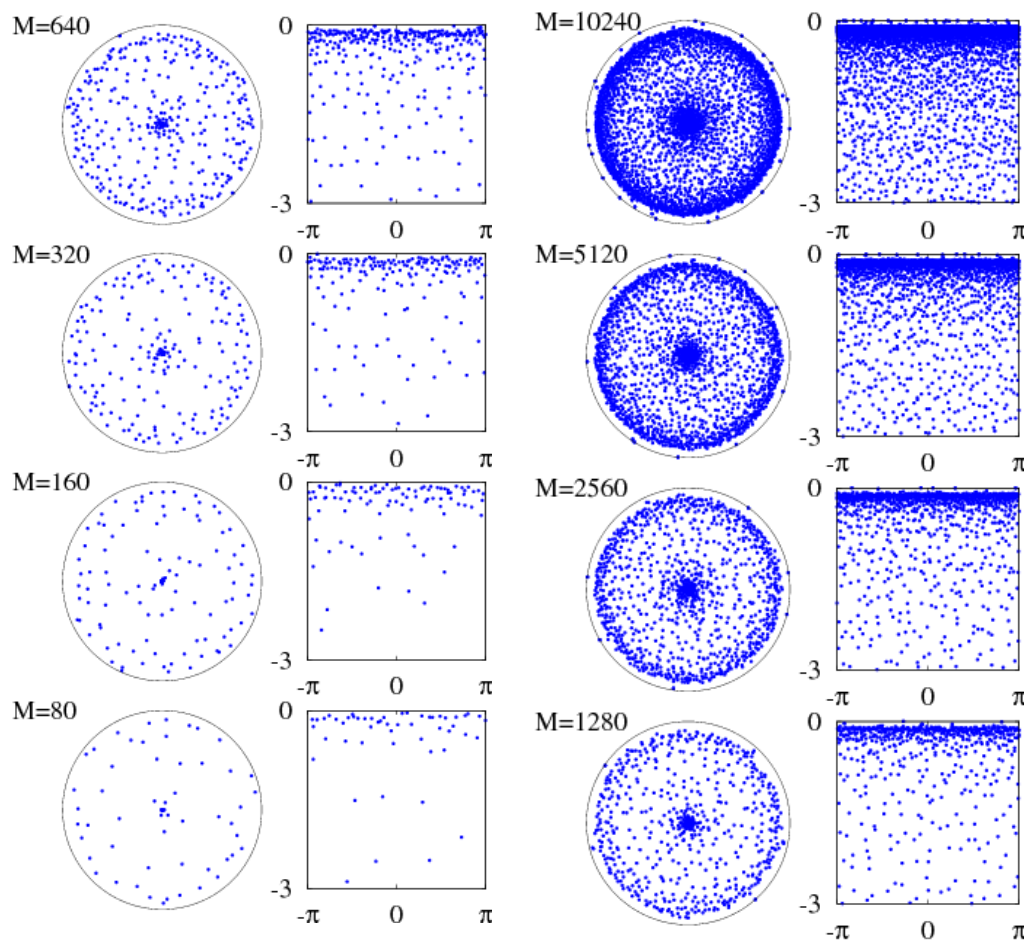


- **Refractive escape** (with J Wiersig; J Keating and M Novaes):
dielectric resonators
 - Goal: generalization and comparison to realistic systems



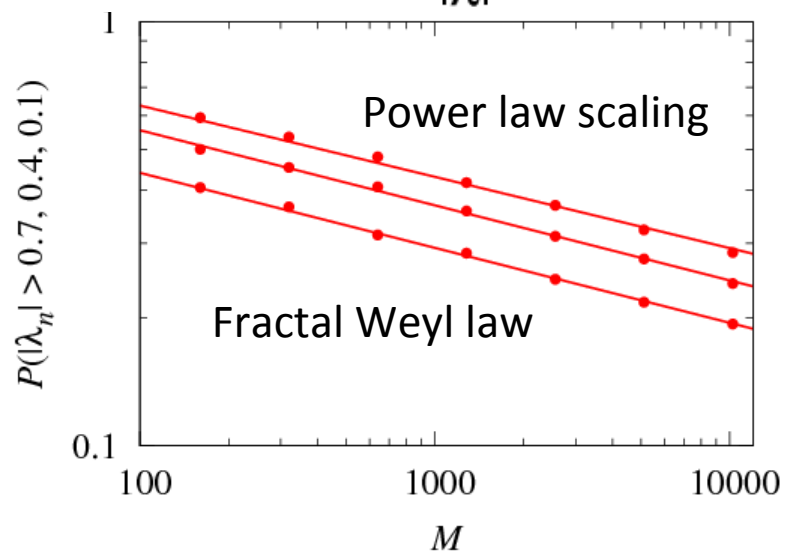
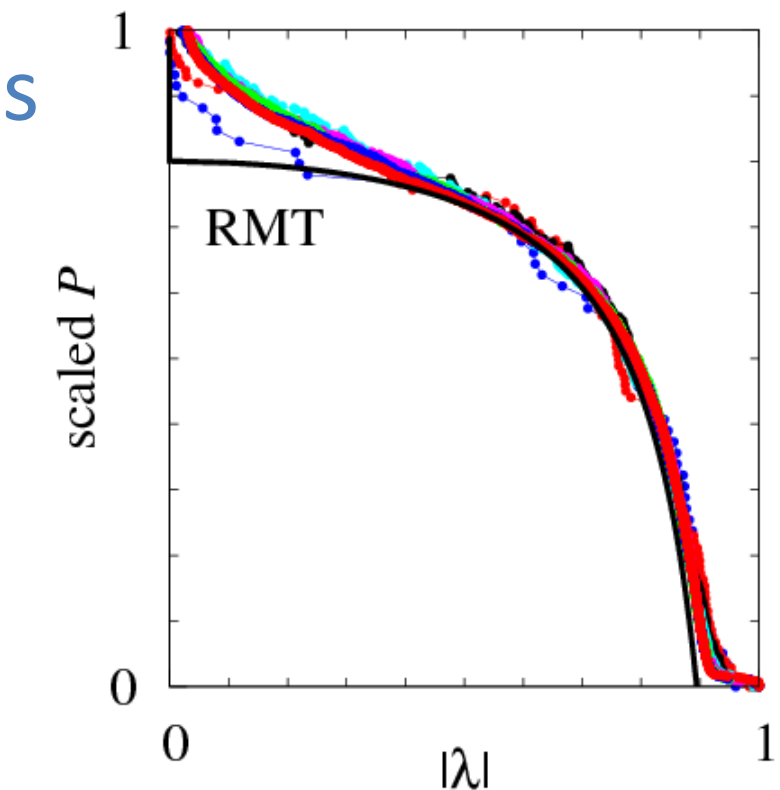
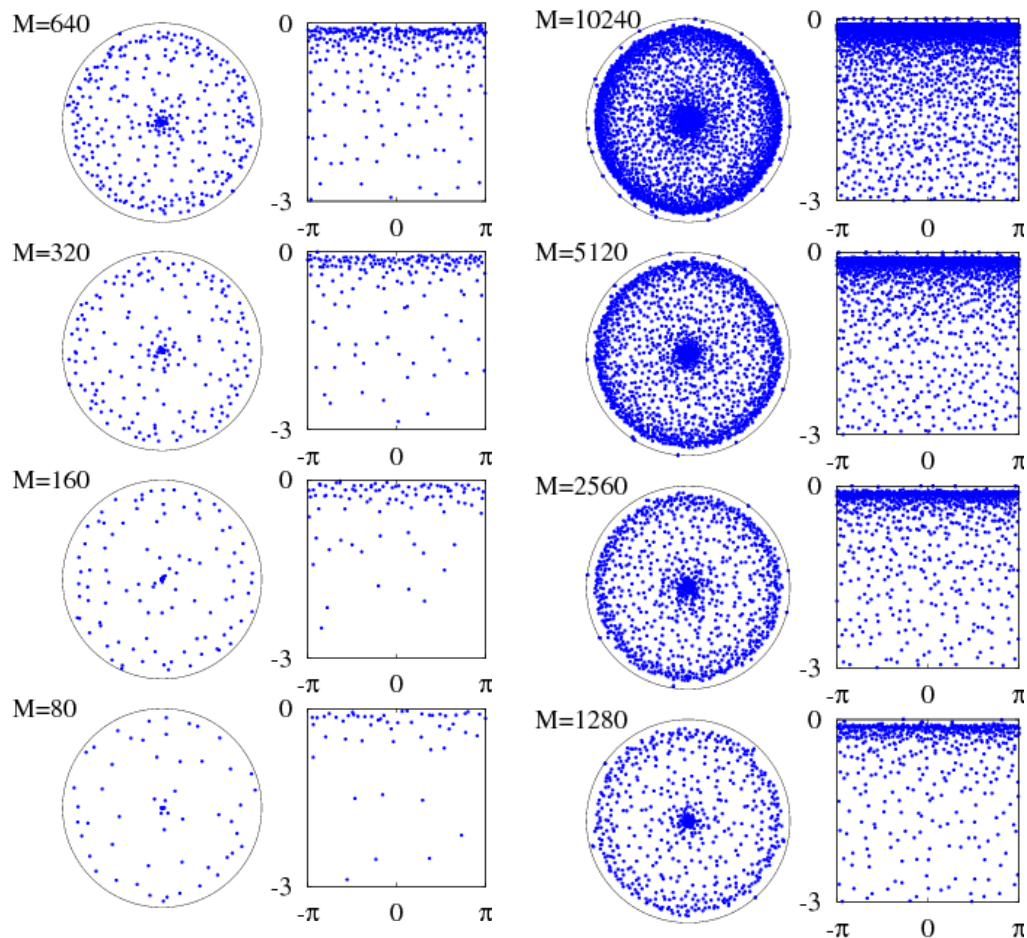
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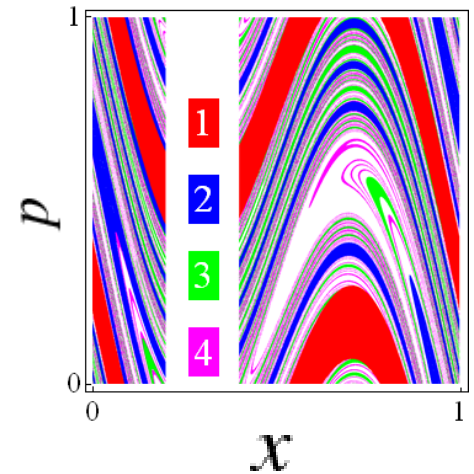


Try to count short-living states

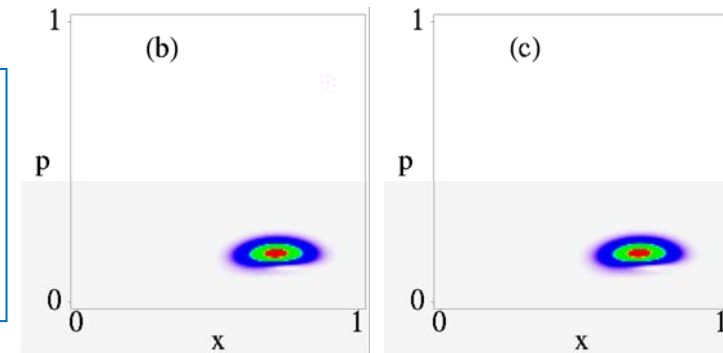
A. identify short-lived deterministic dynamics in phase space

$$QFQ\psi_n = 0 \quad (\lambda_n = 0, \quad \Gamma_n = \infty)$$

- Define $\mathcal{P} = P^\top P = 1 - Q$
- trivially: $Q\mathcal{P} = 0 \rightarrow N$ states on opening ($\mathcal{P}_0 = \mathcal{P}$)
- semiclassical: **preimage**: projector $\mathcal{P}_1 = P_1 P_1^\top$
- naïve Weyl: $\dim = \text{area}/\text{Planck} = M \cdot \text{area}$



problem: underestimates no. of states
reason: operator not self-adjoint,
states nonorthog., highly degenerate

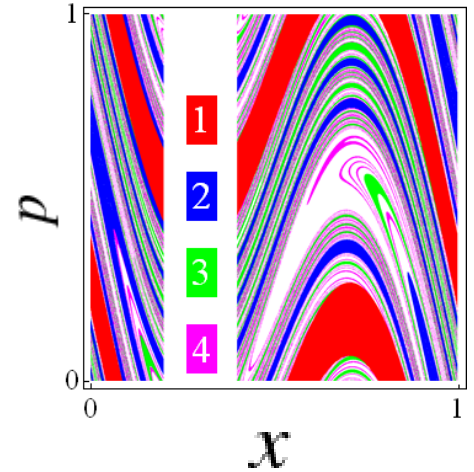


B. Cure degeneracy

$QFQ\psi_n^{(1)} = 0$ ($\lambda_n = 0$) : consider $QFQ\psi_n^{(t+1)} = \lambda_n\psi_n^{(t+1)} + \psi_n^{(t)} = \psi_n^{(t)}$

- 2nd preimage, projector $\mathcal{P}_2 = P_2 P_2^T$
- 3rd preimage, projector $\mathcal{P}_3 = P_3 P_3^T$
- tth preimage, projector $\mathcal{P}_t = P_t P_t^T$
- semiclassical propagation:

$$(QFQ)^t \mathcal{P}_t = 0, \quad \mathcal{P}_t \mathcal{P}_s = 0 \quad (t \neq s)$$



C. Requires: areas $A \approx \exp(-\Lambda t) > 1/M \Rightarrow t < \frac{1}{\Lambda} \ln(M) \equiv t_{Ehr}$

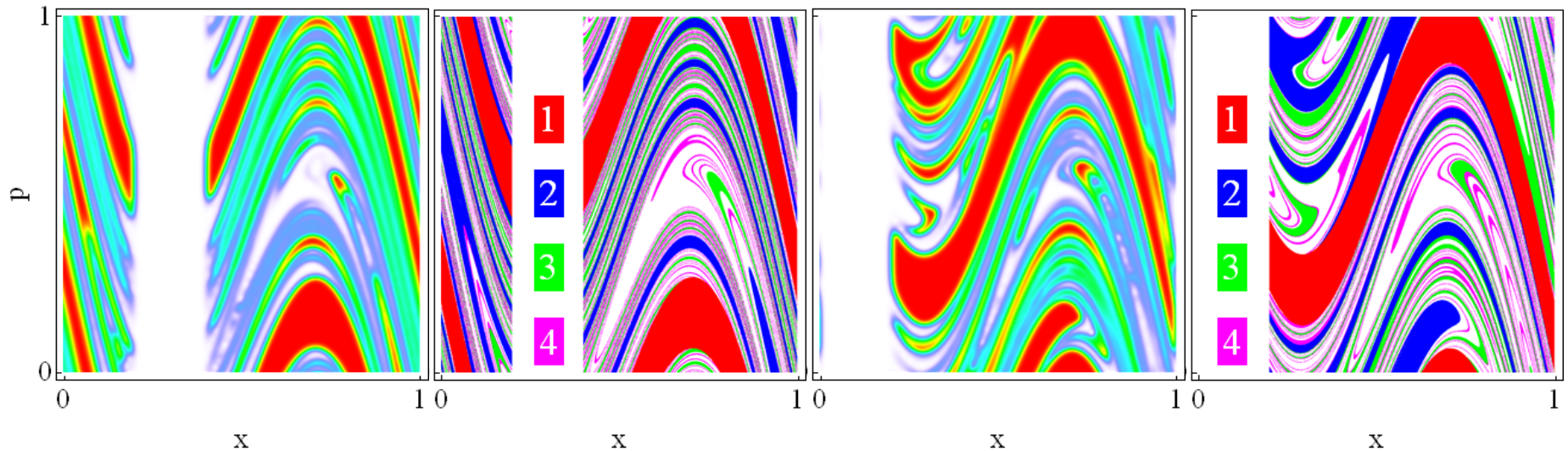
$$\text{Weyl: } \sum_{t < t_{Ehr}} \text{rank} \mathcal{P}_t = M (1 - e^{-t_{Ehr} / t_{dwell}})$$

D. Remaining states (long living): $M e^{-t_{Ehr} / t_{dwell}} \propto M^{1 - 1 / \Lambda t_{dwell}}$

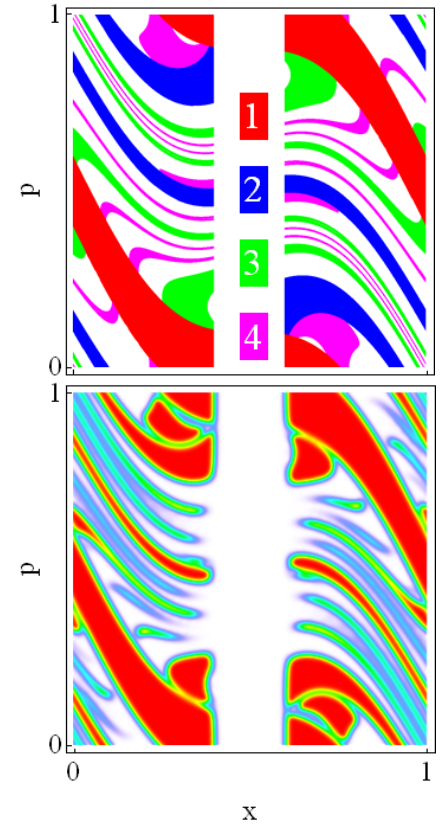
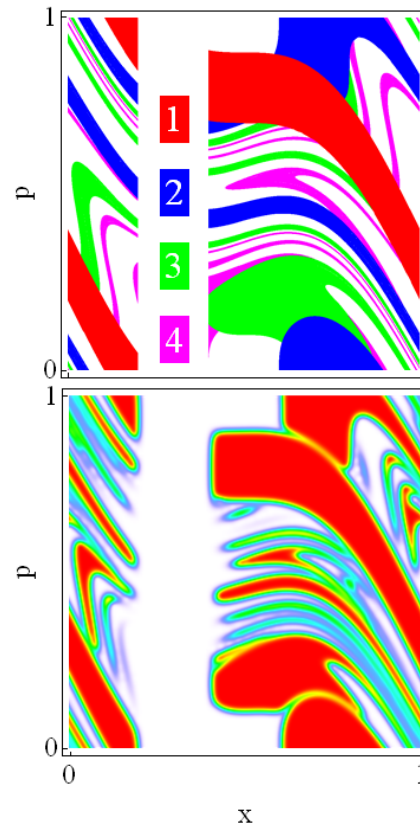
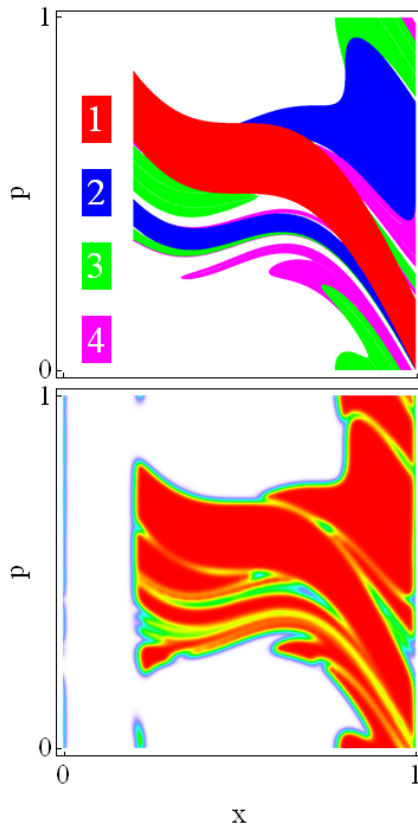
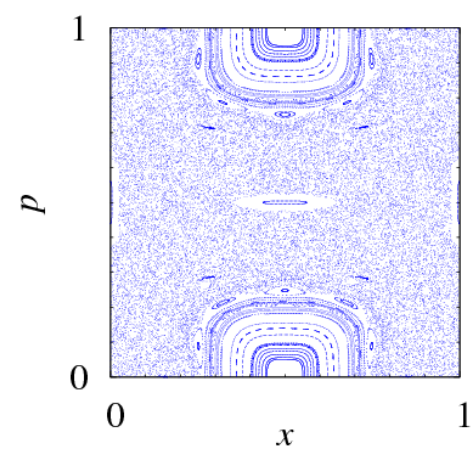
What have we done? A semiclassical partial Schur decomposition!

\mathcal{P}_t : part of orthogonal basis U in $QFQ=UTU^+$
where T is triangular with evals on diagonal.

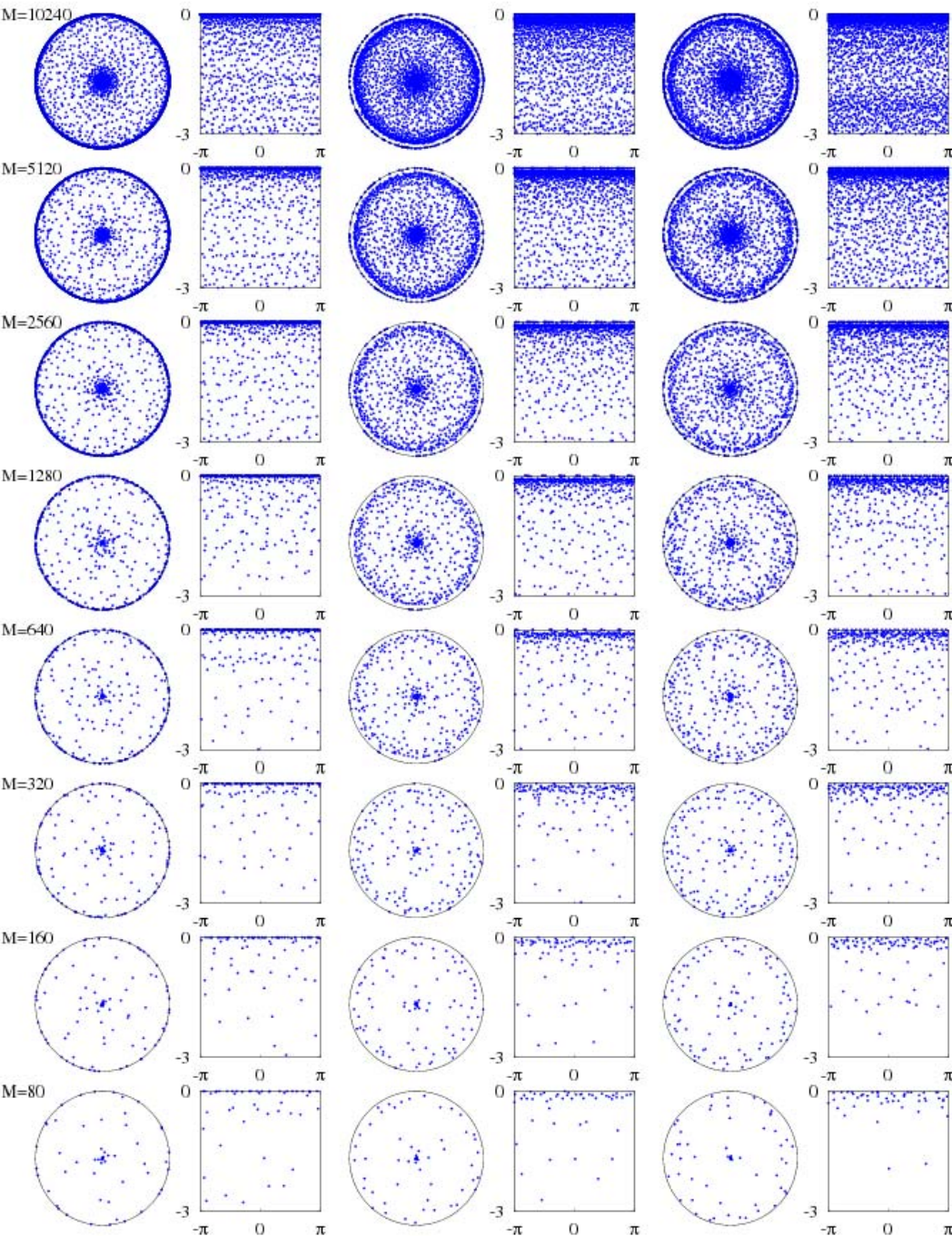
Test: Husimi rep. of Schur vectors ($|\lambda_n| < 0.1$, $M=1280$)



Mixed phase space



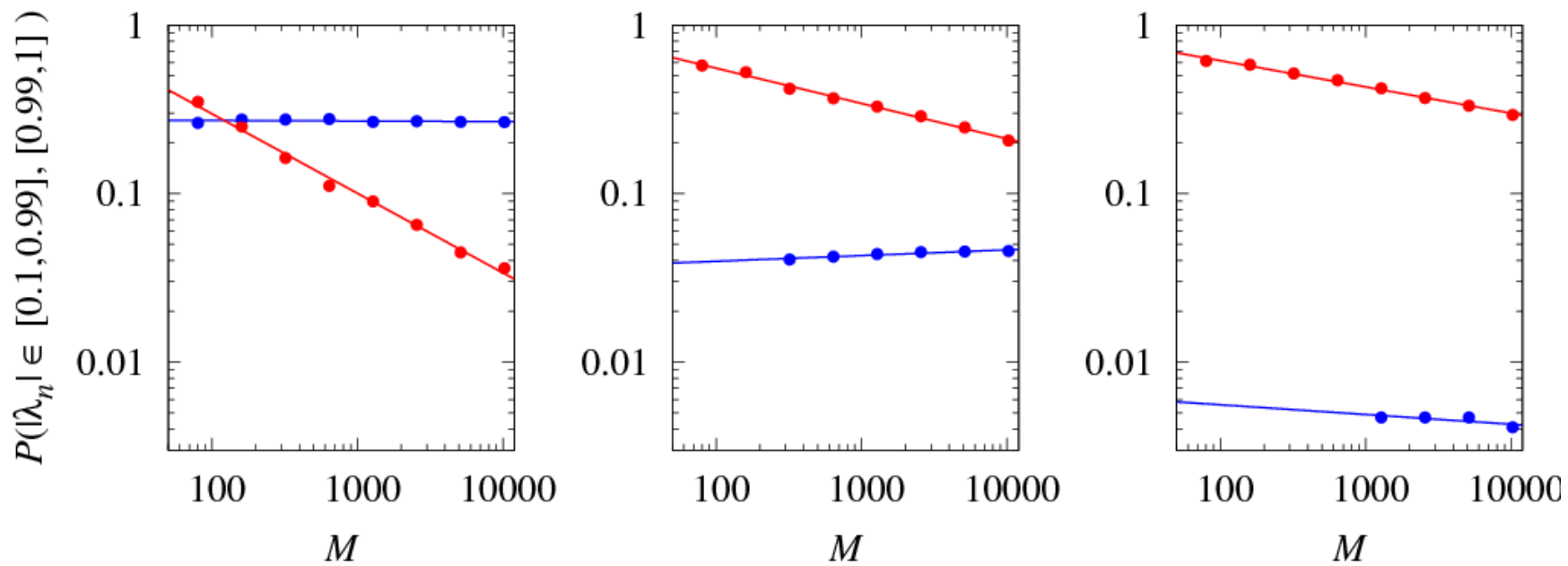
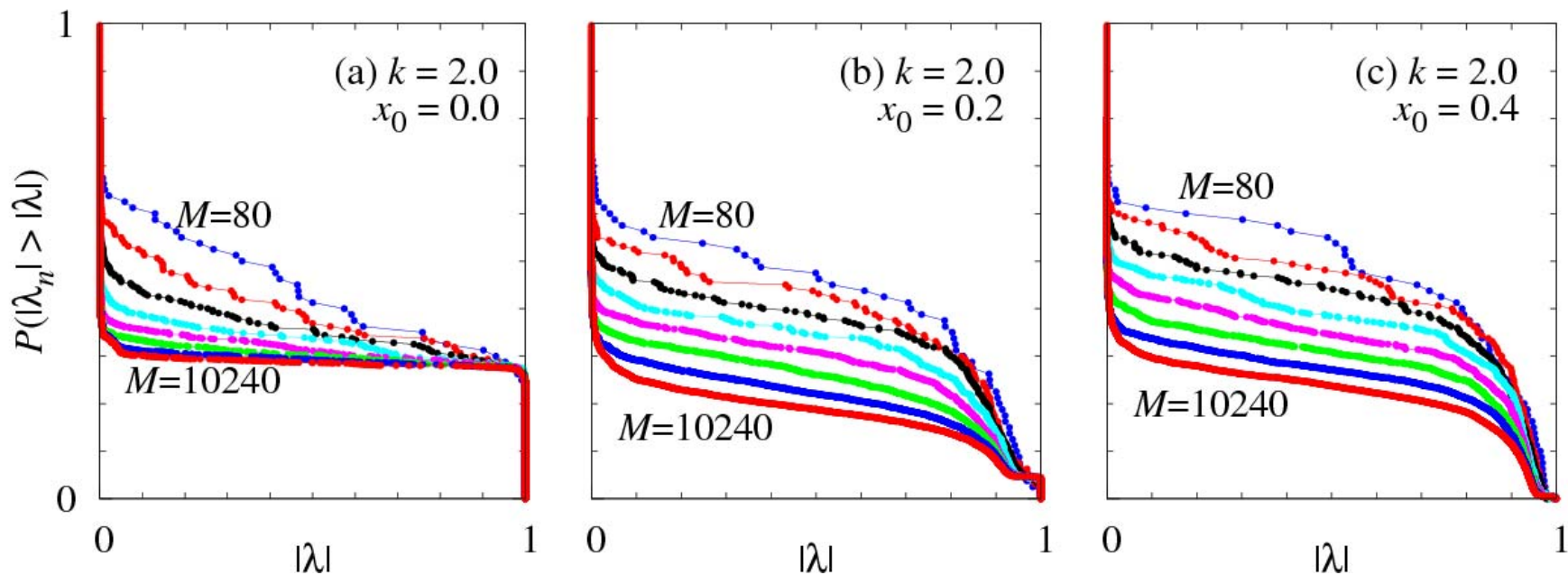
Position of leads is important; coupled islands: fast decay
Uncoupled islands: slow tunneling escape



Two accumulation regions:

$$|\lambda| \approx 0,1$$

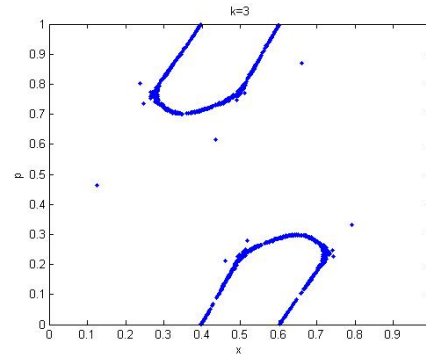
- uncoupled islands (long-living states): just the ordinary Weyl law...
- idea: fix both upper and lower cut-off of lifetimes



Slightly unexpected...

Time domain studies: classical part of mixed phase space is quite unlike a fully chaotic phase space:

Power law decay $\propto t^{-\alpha}$ vs
exponential decay $\propto \exp(-t/t_{\text{dwell}})$
Origin: sticking to islands
(see eg Cristadoro/Ketzmerick PRL 08)



Possible explanations:

- The fractal Weyl law actually breaks down for much larger M
- Sticking just contributes to the long-living states
- Areas also power-law distributed?

Generalization: nonballistic escape

Applications: q-dots w/tunnel barriers, dielectric resonators

Stroboscopic scattering operator

$$S(\varepsilon) = R' + T' \left(e^{-i\varepsilon} - FR \right)^{-1} FT$$

For dielectric resonators:

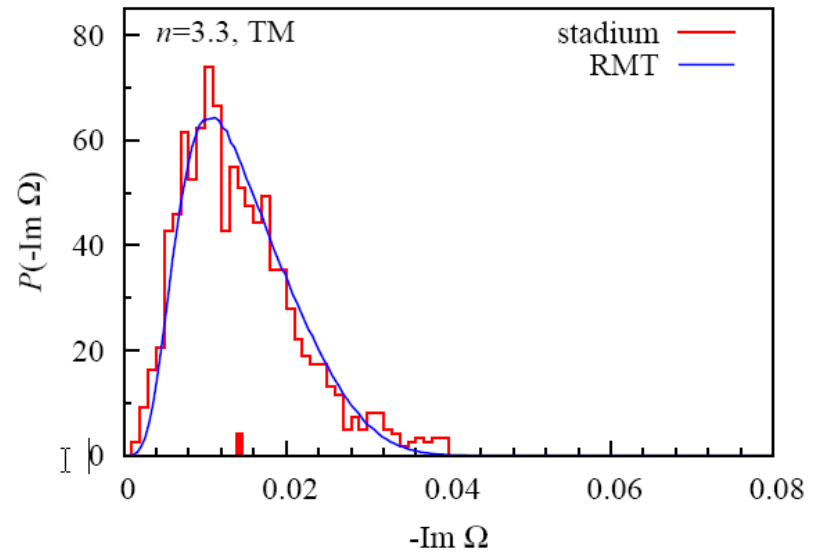
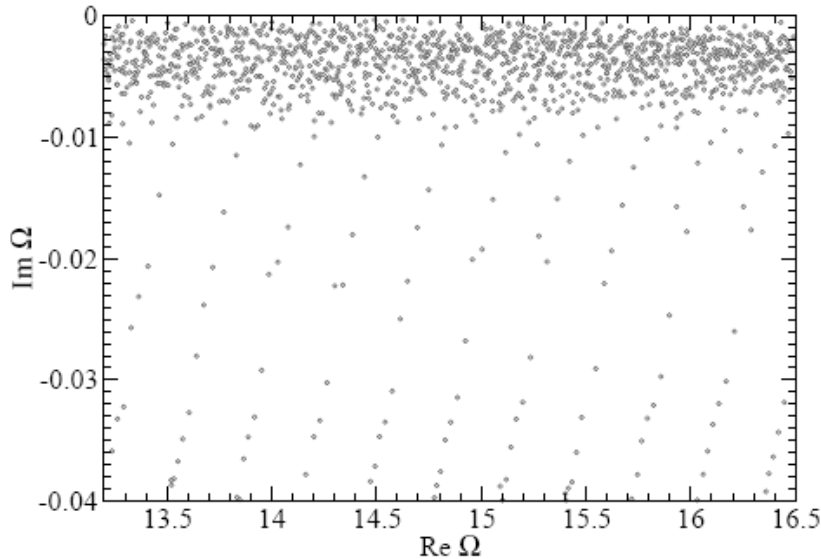
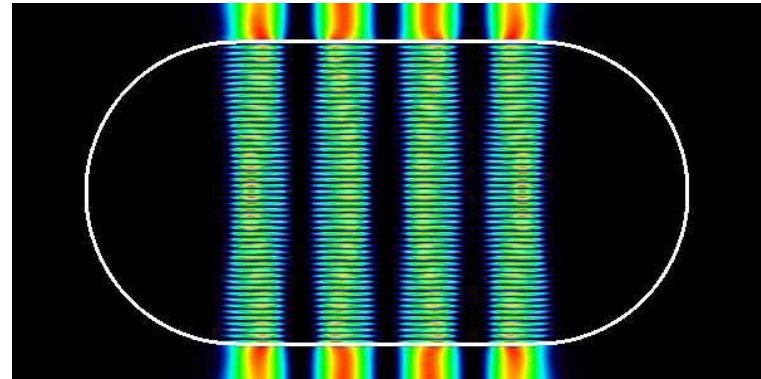
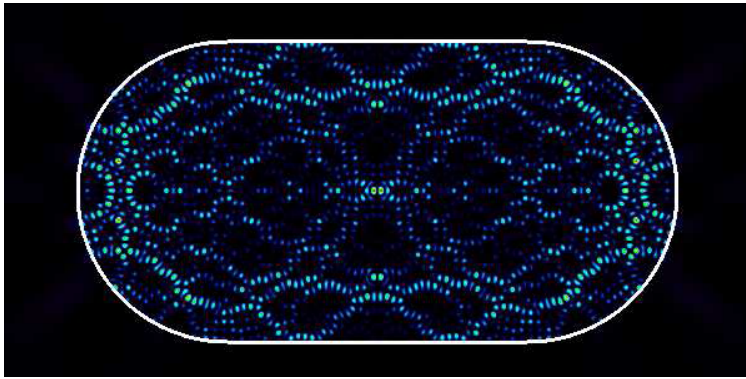
$$S(\omega) = -R + T \left(e^{-i\omega\tau} - FR \right)^{-1} FT$$

with frequency ω , traversal time $\tau = n \pi A / v C$ (Sabine's law),
and R, T determined by Fresnel reflection coefficients.

(n : refractive index; A : area, C : perimeter, v : velocity)

Also, $M=N=\dim S = \omega C/v \pi$ (Weyl's law applied to the boundary)

Compare realistic resonator to random matrix theory (RMT)

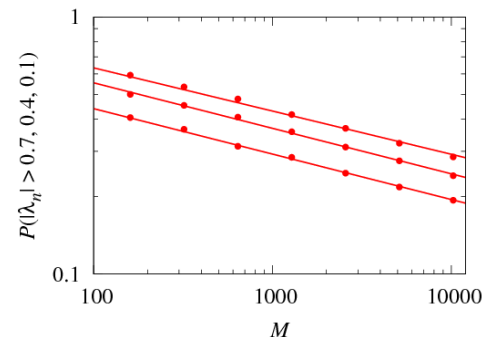
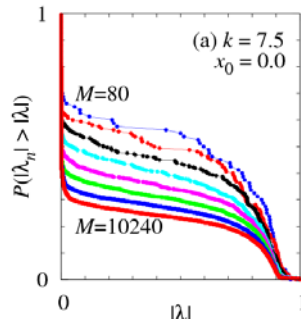
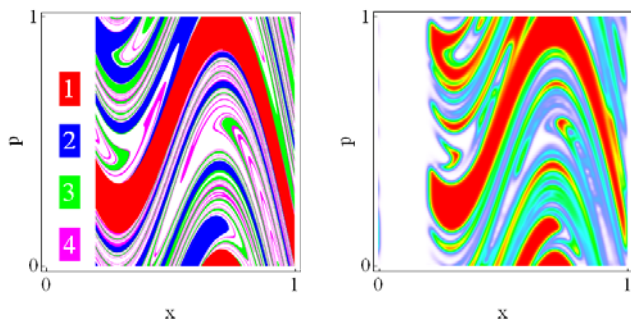


Bands of short-living states (origin: bouncing ball motion)

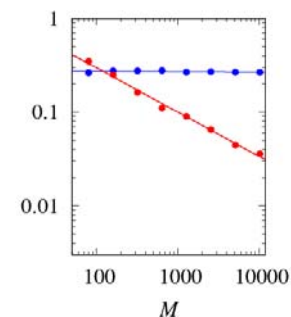
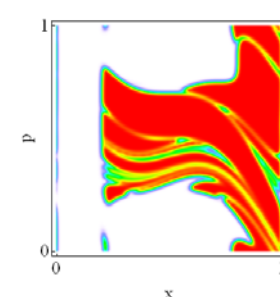
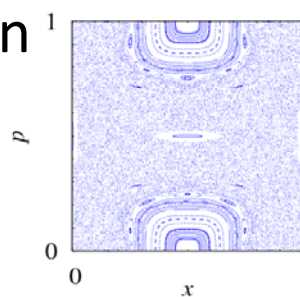
Requires to renormalize M and τ ! Here done independent from fluctuations by using mean level spacing and decay rate of long-living states.

Summary

- Phase space rules can be resurrected by semiclassical Schur decomposition; links fractal Weyl law to Ehrenfest time



- Fractal Weyl law also exists in generic dynamical systems (mixed phase space)



- Stroboscopic scattering theory succeeds to describe realistic (autonomous) systems

