

Level Repulsion and threefold degeneracy of eigenstates of the Liouvillian in the Kirkwood gaps in Asteroid belt



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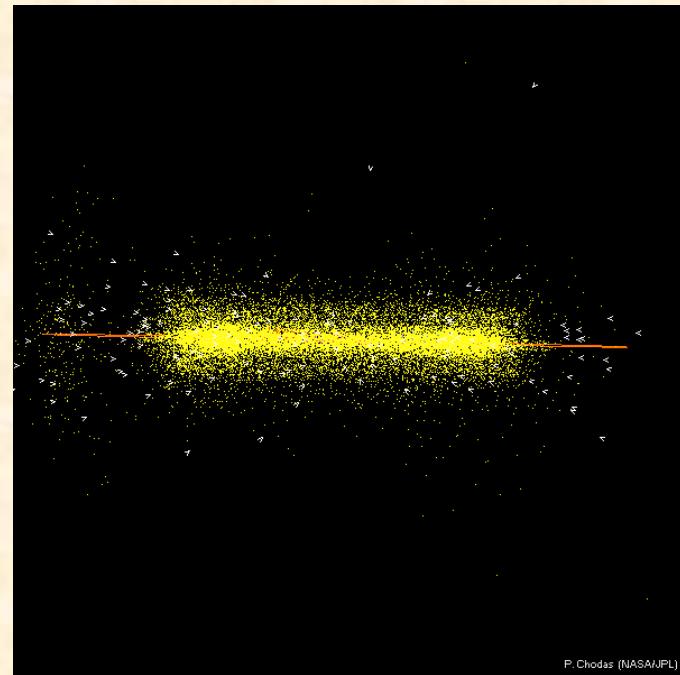
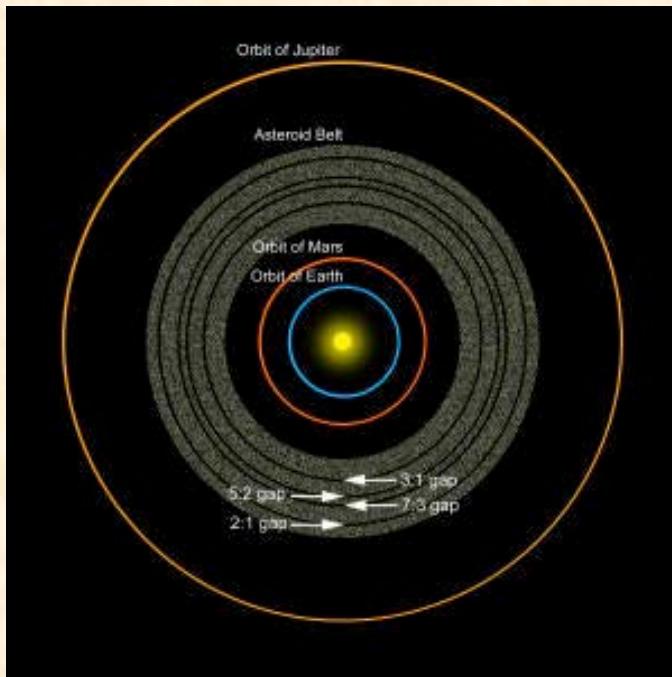
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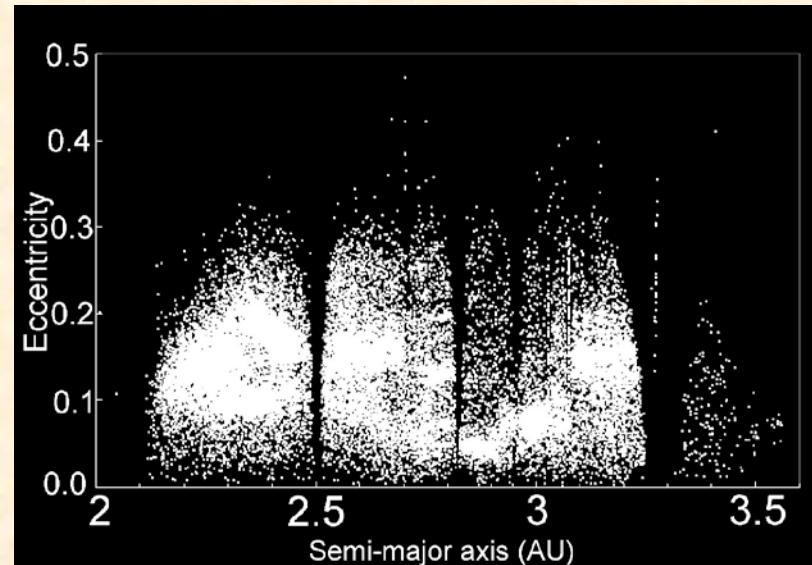
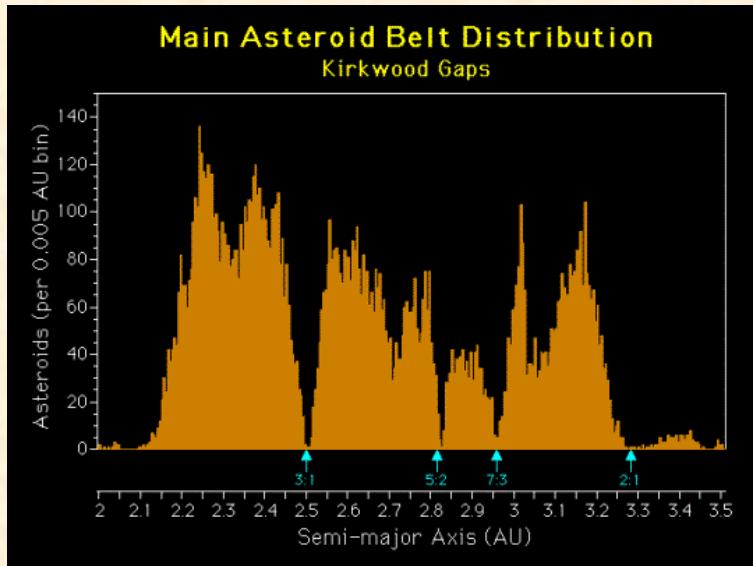
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Asteroid belt



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The Kirkwood gaps



D. Kirkwood, *Meteoric Astronomy: A Treatise on Shooting-Stars, Fireballs, And Aerolites* (J. B. Lippincott, Philadelphia, 1867)

The Liouville equation

Hamiltonian:

$$H = H_0(\vec{p}) + \lambda V(\vec{x})$$

$$\vec{x} \equiv (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N)$$

The Liouville equation

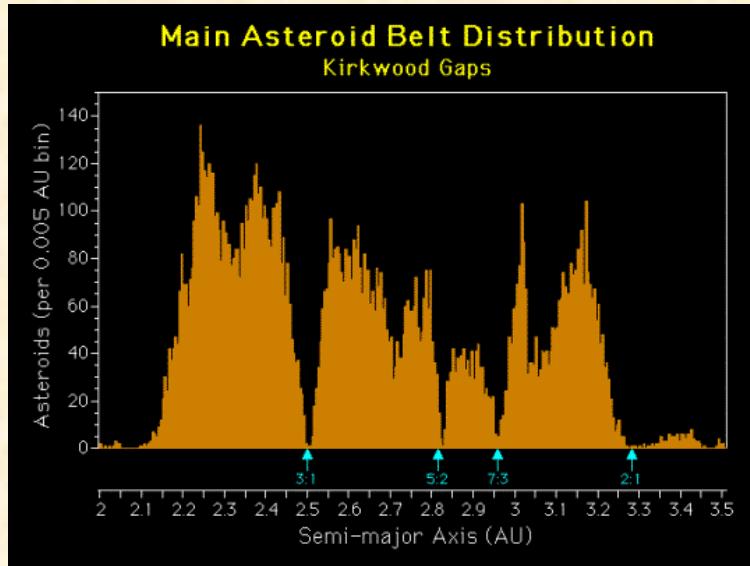
$$i \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = L_H \rho$$

Liouvillian: a Poisson bracket with the Hamiltonian

$$L_H \rho = i \{H, \rho\} \equiv i \sum_j^N \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{x}_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{p}_j} - \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{p}_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_j} \right) \rho(\vec{p}, \vec{x})$$

Physical dimension: frequency

$$L_H = L_0 + \lambda L_V$$



Band spectrum of the Liouvillian
in the restrict problem of three bodys

Keplar' s third law

$$\omega \propto a^{-3/2}$$

a : semi - major axis

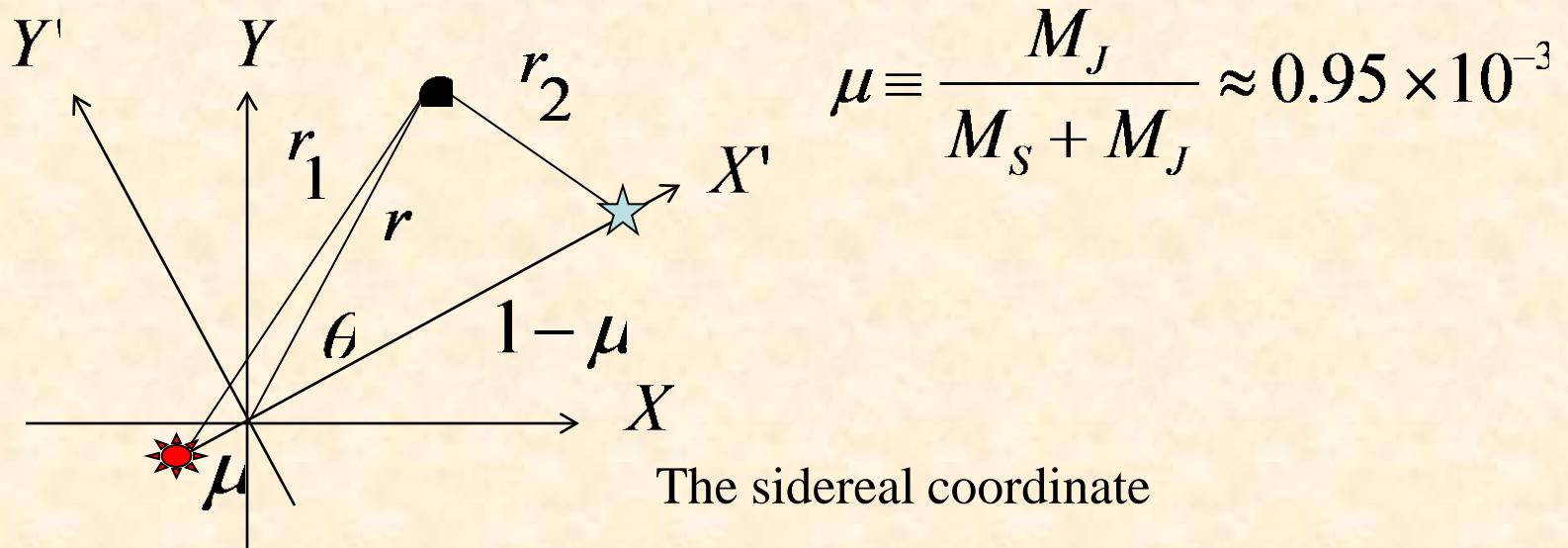
Hamiltonian of the restricted three-body problem

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \left(p_r^2 + \frac{p_\theta^2}{r^2} \right) - p_\theta - \frac{1-\mu}{r_1} - \frac{\mu}{r_2}$$

$$r_1 = \sqrt{r^2 - 2\mu r \cos \theta + \mu^2}$$

$$r_2 = \sqrt{r^2 - 2(1-\mu)r \cos \theta + (1-\mu)^2}$$

The synodic coordinate



Delaunay's variables: (L, l) , (G, g)

$$H = -\frac{1}{2L^2} - G + \mu V(L, G, l, g; \mu)$$

$$\mu V(L, G, l, g; \mu) = \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1-\mu}{r_1} - \frac{\mu}{r_2}$$

$$L = \sqrt{a}$$

l : mean anomaly

G : angular momentum of the asteroid

g : argument of the perihelion
in the rotating system

$$G = p_\theta = \sqrt{a(1 - \varepsilon^2)}$$

$$\varepsilon = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{G}{L}\right)^2} : \text{eccentricity}$$

$l = u - \varepsilon \sin u$: Kepler's Equation

u : eccentric anomaly

$$r = a(1 - \varepsilon \cos u) = \frac{a(1 - \varepsilon^2)}{1 + \varepsilon \cos f}$$

$$\cos u = \frac{\varepsilon + \cos f}{1 + \varepsilon \cos f}$$

$f = \theta - g$: true anomaly

$$\cos f = -\varepsilon + \frac{2(1 - \varepsilon^2)}{\varepsilon} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} J_n'(\varepsilon) \cos(nl)$$

$$\sin f = 2\sqrt{1 - \varepsilon^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} J_n'(\varepsilon) \sin(nl)$$

$$\frac{1}{r_1} = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n(\cos \theta) \left(\frac{\mu}{r} \right)^n \quad \text{for } \mu \ll 1, r \sim 1$$

$$\frac{1}{r_2} = \frac{1}{1 - \mu} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n(\cos \theta) \left(\frac{r}{1 - \mu} \right)^n \quad \text{for } \mu \ll 1, 0 < r < 1$$

$$H = H_0 + \mu V \Rightarrow L_H = L_0 + \mu L_V$$

$$L_0 = -i\omega_l \frac{\partial}{\partial l} - i\omega_g \frac{\partial}{\partial g}$$

$\omega_l = \frac{\partial H_0}{\partial L} = \frac{1}{L^3}$
$\omega_g = \frac{\partial H_0}{\partial G} = -1$

Eigenvalue states for the two-body problem

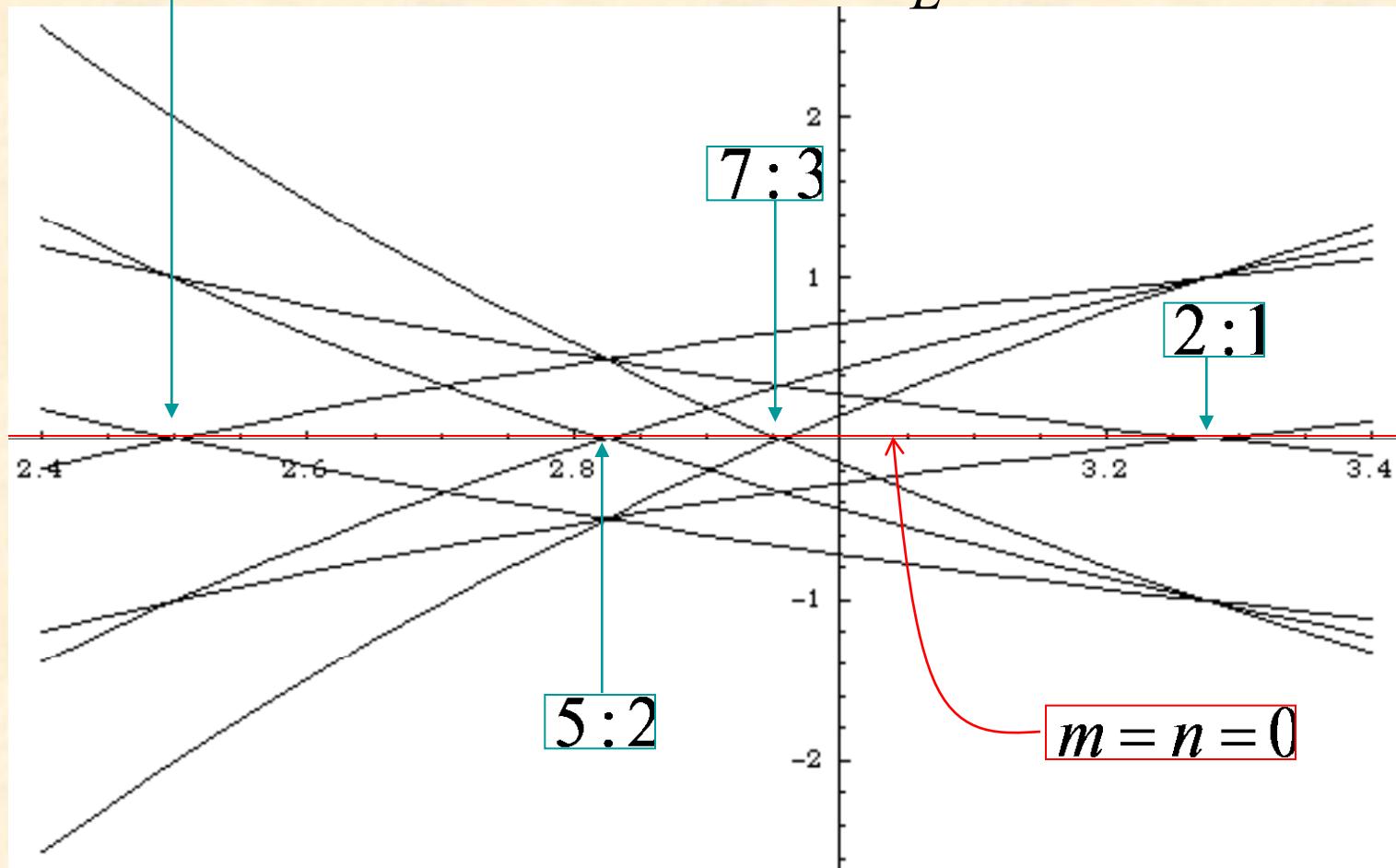
$$L_0 e^{i(nl+mg)} = \left(\frac{n}{L^3} - m \right) e^{i(nl+mg)} \quad m, n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

Dispersion relation for m - n mode: $\Omega = \Omega_{m,n}(L)$

$$L = \sqrt{\frac{a}{5.2 \text{AU}}}$$

$$m : n = 3 : 1$$

$$\Omega_{m,n}(L) = \frac{n}{L^3} - m$$



Threefold degeneracy

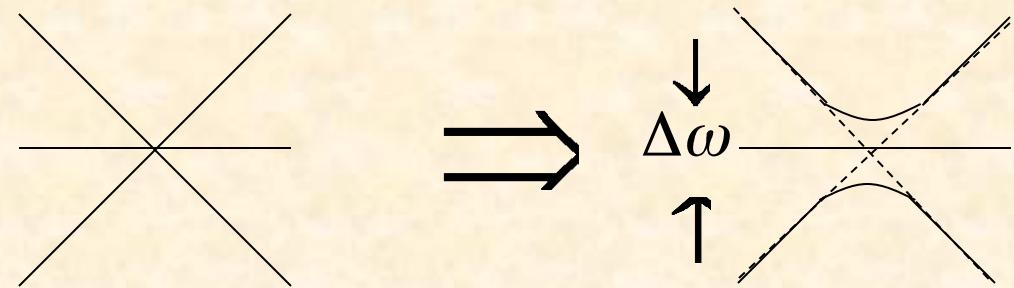
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The degenerate perturbation theory for resonances

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{matrix} -3:-1 & 0:0 & 3:1 \end{matrix} \\
 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathcal{L}_{-3-1} & 0 \\ \mathcal{L}_{-3-1}^* & 0 & \mathcal{L}_{31} \\ 0 & \mathcal{L}_{31}^* & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \phi_3 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \phi_3 \end{pmatrix} \\
 \lambda = 0, \quad \pm \sqrt{\left| \mathcal{L}_{-3-1} \right|^2 + \left| \mathcal{L}_{31} \right|^2}
 \end{array}$$

Level repulsion

Mode coupling
(Selection rule)
Saturn's ring?



2 : 1

3 : 1

5 : 2

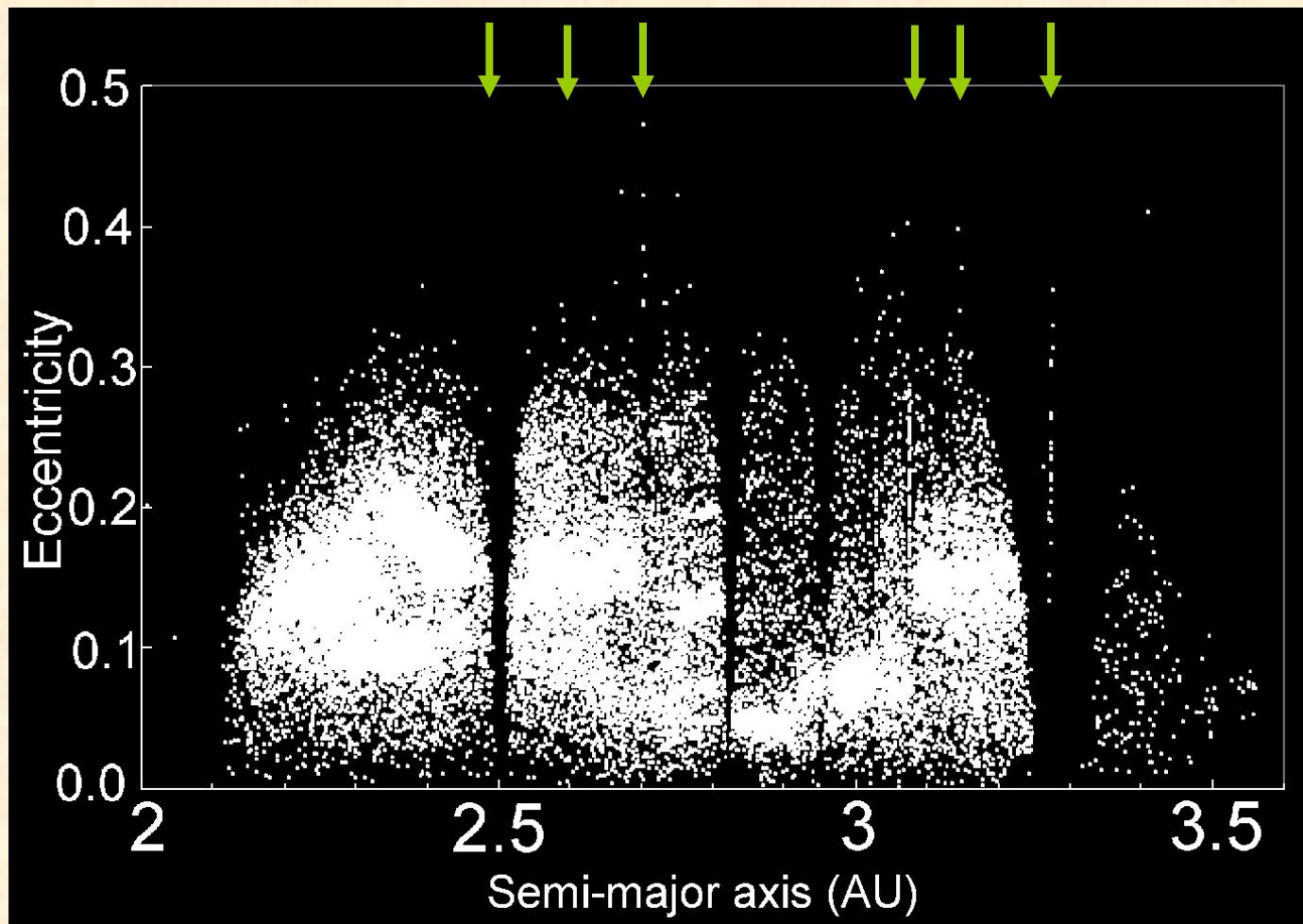
7 : 3

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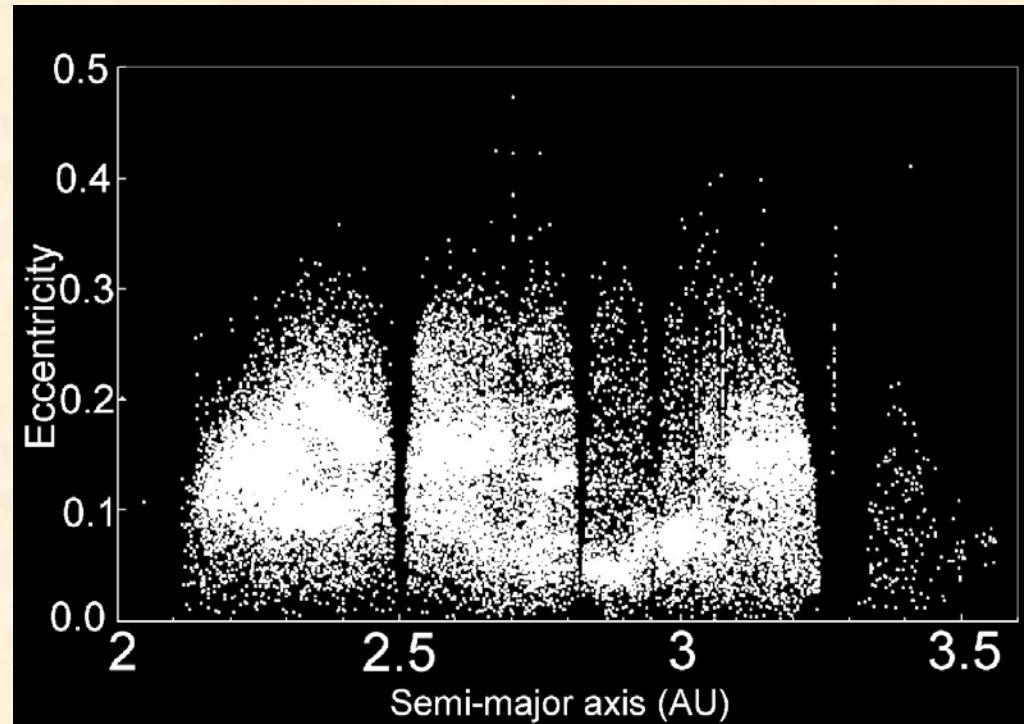
$m : n$

$$\mathcal{L}_{31} \sim \mu a^{3/2} \varepsilon^{-1} \quad \mu a^{5/2} \varepsilon^0 \quad \mu a^{9/2} \varepsilon^1 \quad \mu a^{13/2} \varepsilon^2 \quad \dots \quad \mu a^{\frac{m-1}{2}} \varepsilon^{m-n-2}$$

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Evidence of the threefold degeneracy



$$|\Delta a_{21}| \sim 0.6 \times 10^{-2} \text{ AU}$$

$$|\Delta a_{31}| \sim 1.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ AU}$$

$$|\Delta a_{12}| \sim 1.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ AU}$$

Estimation of the lower bound!

The effect of the eccentricity of Jupiter

eccentricity ~ 0.05

The elliptic restricted problem

The Floquet quasi-eigenvalue problem