

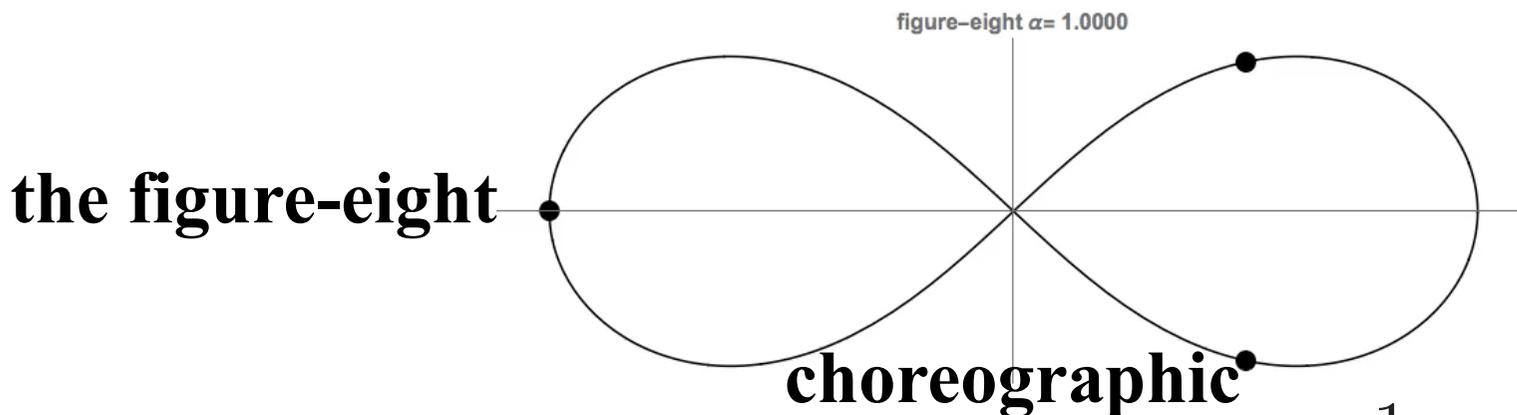
**Bifurcations of
Figure-eight solutions
— Bifurcations and Symmetry —**

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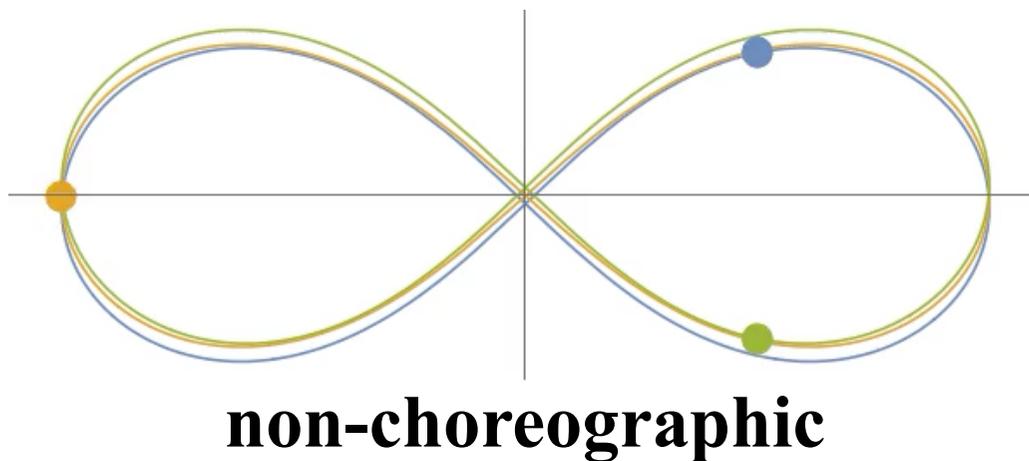
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the figure-eight(1993,2000)



$$V = \frac{1}{ar^a}, \quad a > -2.$$

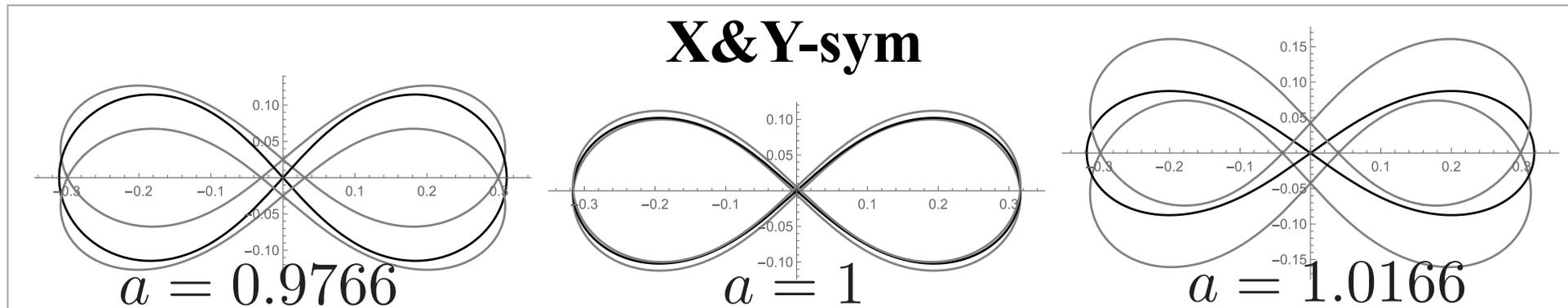
Simó's H



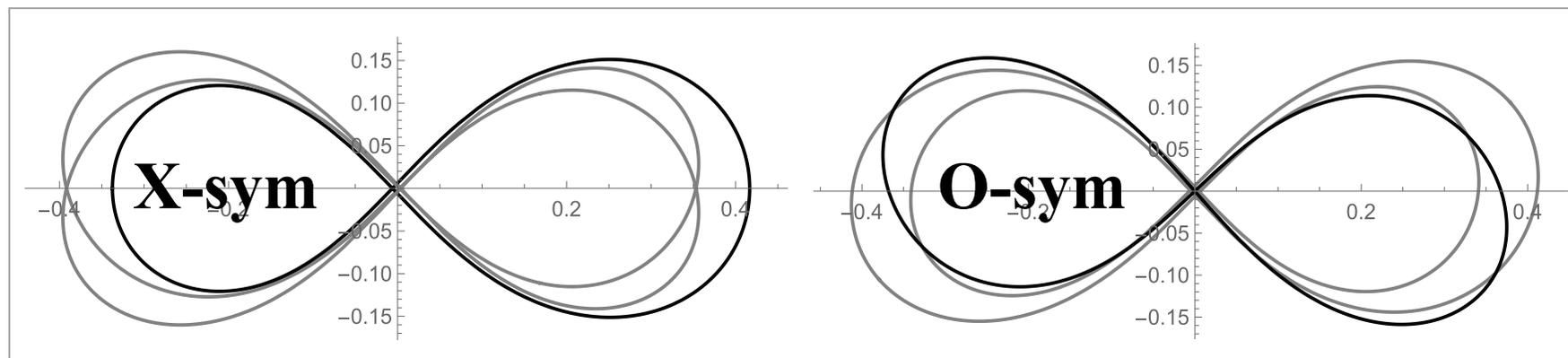
$a = 1$ (Newton potential)

bifurcations

$$V = \frac{1}{ar^a}, \quad a > -2.$$



Simó's H: $a_0 = 0.9966$ both $a < a_0$ and $a_0 < a$

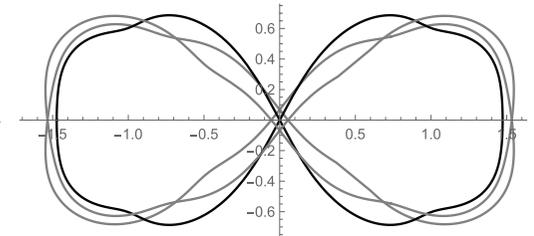
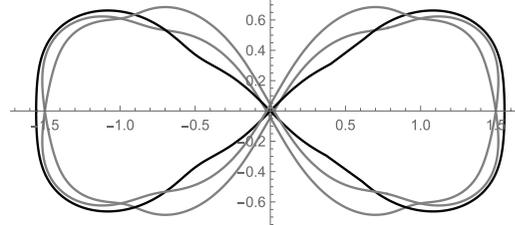
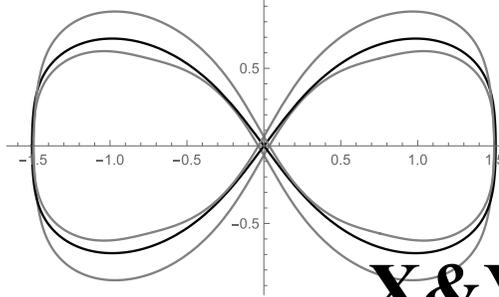
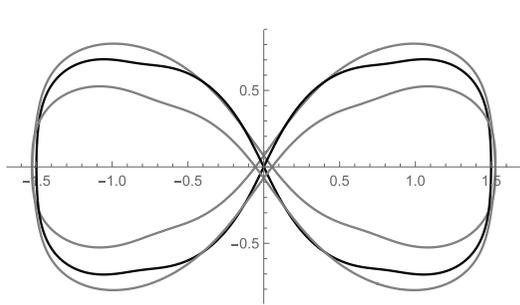
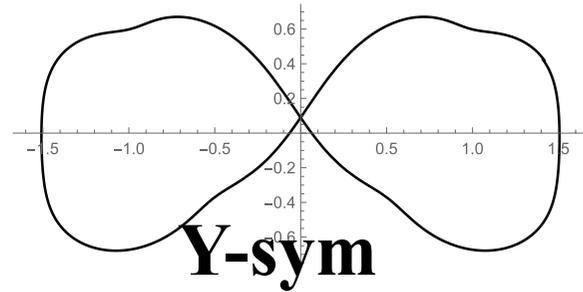
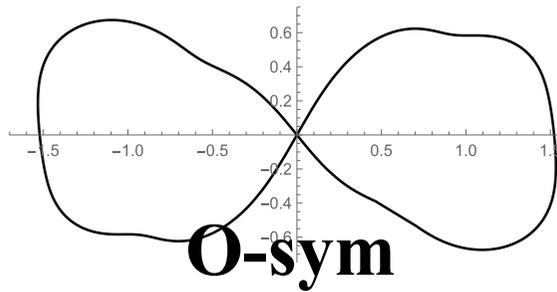
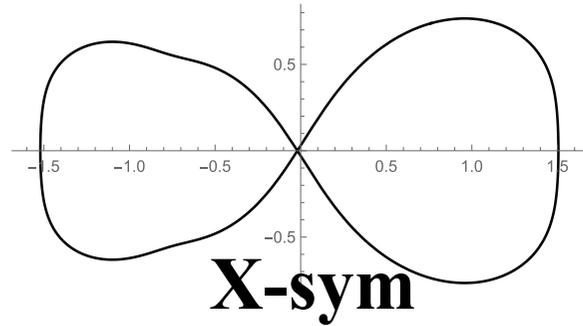


one side: $a_0 = 1.3424 < a$

**two different solutions emerge
from this bifurcation point**

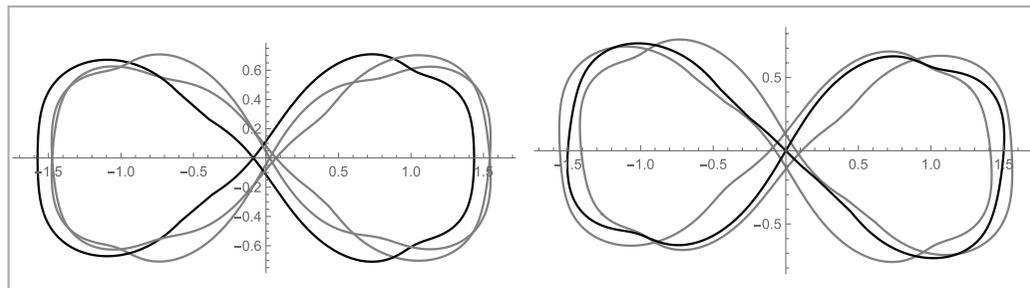
Bifurcations of figure-eight solutions Lennard-Jones potential

$$V \sim \frac{1}{r^6} - \frac{1}{r^{12}}, T > T_0$$



X&Y-sym

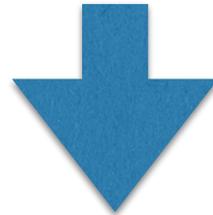
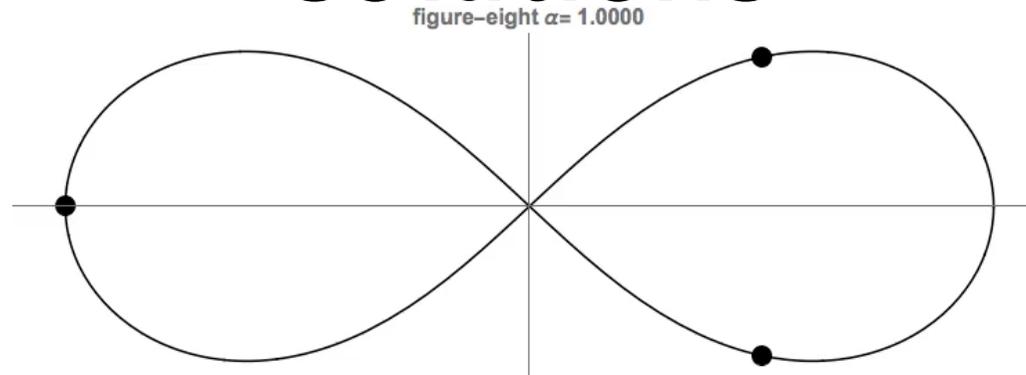
one bifurcation point:



X-sym

O-sym

Bifurcations of figure-eight solutions



$$V \sim \frac{1}{r^a}, a > -2.$$

$$V \sim \frac{1}{r^6} - \frac{1}{r^{12}}, T > T_0$$

6 bifurcation patterns

5 patterns \Leftrightarrow Symmetry breaking

Does not depend on potential or parameter

why 6 patterns ? any more or not ?

and my big question or a strong desire is ...

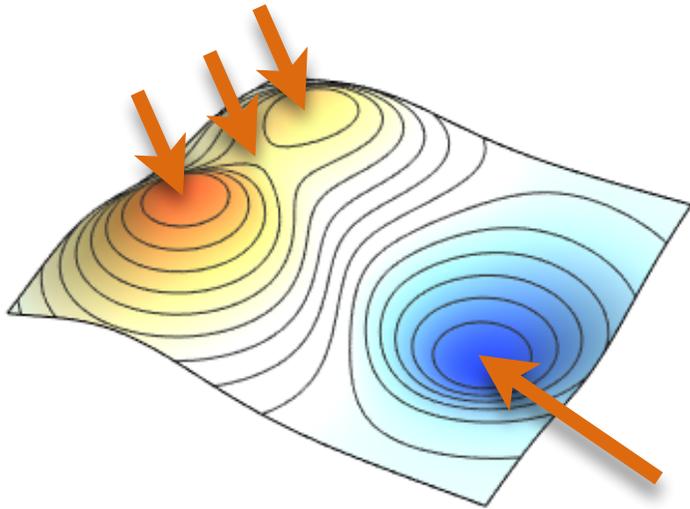
Who has seen the Action?

Lagrangian and Action: $S = \int dt L$

a stationary point $\delta S = 0$



a solution of the equation of motion



variational method: local minimum of S

$$\Rightarrow \delta S = 0$$

Who has seen the Action?

other saddle,
max/min?

higher derivatives of the action
of a solution

$$\delta^2 S(q_0), \delta^3 S(q_0), \delta^4 S(q_0), \dots$$

action around this solution

if the action were a function of one variable

$$s(x) = s(0) + s'(0)x + s''(0)x^2/2 + s'''(0)x^3/3! + \dots$$



difficulty: distance to the other solution is large

bifurcations: distance $\rightarrow 0$

Necessary condition

if two stationary points meet

$$\delta S(q_o) = \delta S(q_o + R\Phi) = 0 \rightarrow \delta^2 S(q_o) = 0 \text{ for } R \rightarrow 0$$


$$\left(\begin{aligned} m \frac{d^2}{dt^2} q_o &= \frac{\partial U(q_o)}{\partial q} \\ m \frac{d^2}{dt^2} (q_o + R\Phi) &= \frac{\partial U(q_o + R\Phi)}{\partial q} \\ &= \frac{\partial U(q_o)}{\partial q} + R \frac{\partial^2 U(q_o)}{\partial q^2} \Phi + O(R^2) \end{aligned} \right.$$


$$\mathcal{H}\Phi = O(R) \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } R \rightarrow 0$$

linearised equations of motion

namely, one eigenvalue $\rightarrow 0$

$$\mathcal{H} = -m \frac{d^2}{dt^2} + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial q^2}$$

Lyapunov-Schmidt reduction

$$\mathcal{H}\phi = \kappa\phi, \mathcal{H}\psi_\alpha = \lambda_\alpha\psi_\alpha$$

$$S(r, \epsilon) = S[q_o + r\phi + r \sum_{\alpha} \epsilon_\alpha \psi_\alpha] - S[q_o]$$

stationary point: $\partial_r S(r, \epsilon) = \partial_\epsilon S(r, \epsilon) = 0$

solution $\epsilon_\alpha = \epsilon_\alpha(r)$

unique because $\lambda_\alpha \neq 0$

$S_{\text{LS}}(r) = S(r, \epsilon(r))$

stationary point: $\frac{dS_{\text{LS}}(r)}{dr} = 0$

original or bifurcated solution(s)

Group Theoretic Methods in Bifurcation Theory

Sattinger 1979

 Group theoretic methods in bifurcation theory

Golubitsky and Scaffer 1985

 Singularities and groups in bifurcation theory I & II

Chenciner, Féjóz, and Montgomery 2004

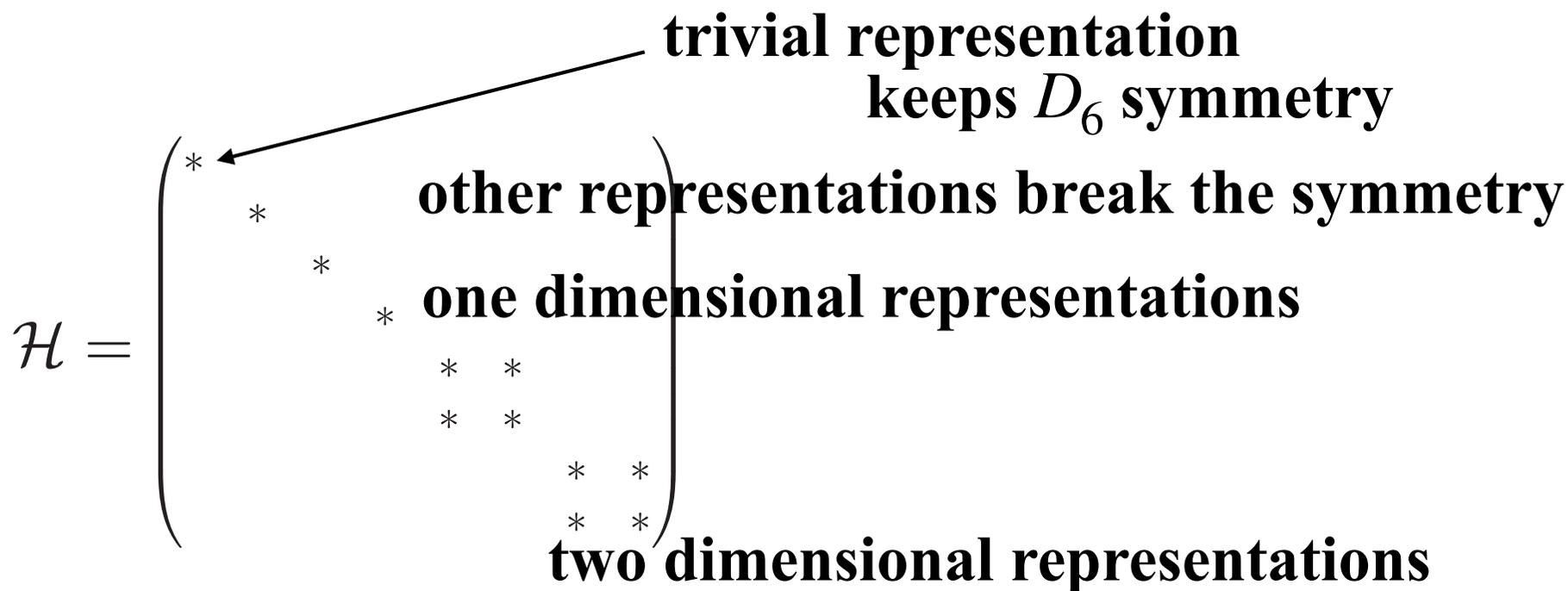
 Rotating Eights: I. The three Γ_i families.

Irreducible representations of D_n

figure-eight solutions have

$$D_6 = \{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^5, y, yx, yx^2, \dots, yx^5, \}$$

$$x^6 = y^2 = 1, xy = yx^{-1}.$$



Symmetry of the reduced action

$$\text{for } g \in G : S[gq] = S[q], gq_o = q_o$$

for one dimensional representations

$S_{LS}(r)$: a function of r

$$\text{if } g\phi = -\phi \Rightarrow S_{LS}(-r) = S_{LS}(r)$$

for two dimensional representations

$S_{LS}(r, \theta)$: a function of r and θ

$$r\phi(\theta) = r \cos(\theta)\phi_1 + r \sin(\theta)\phi_2$$

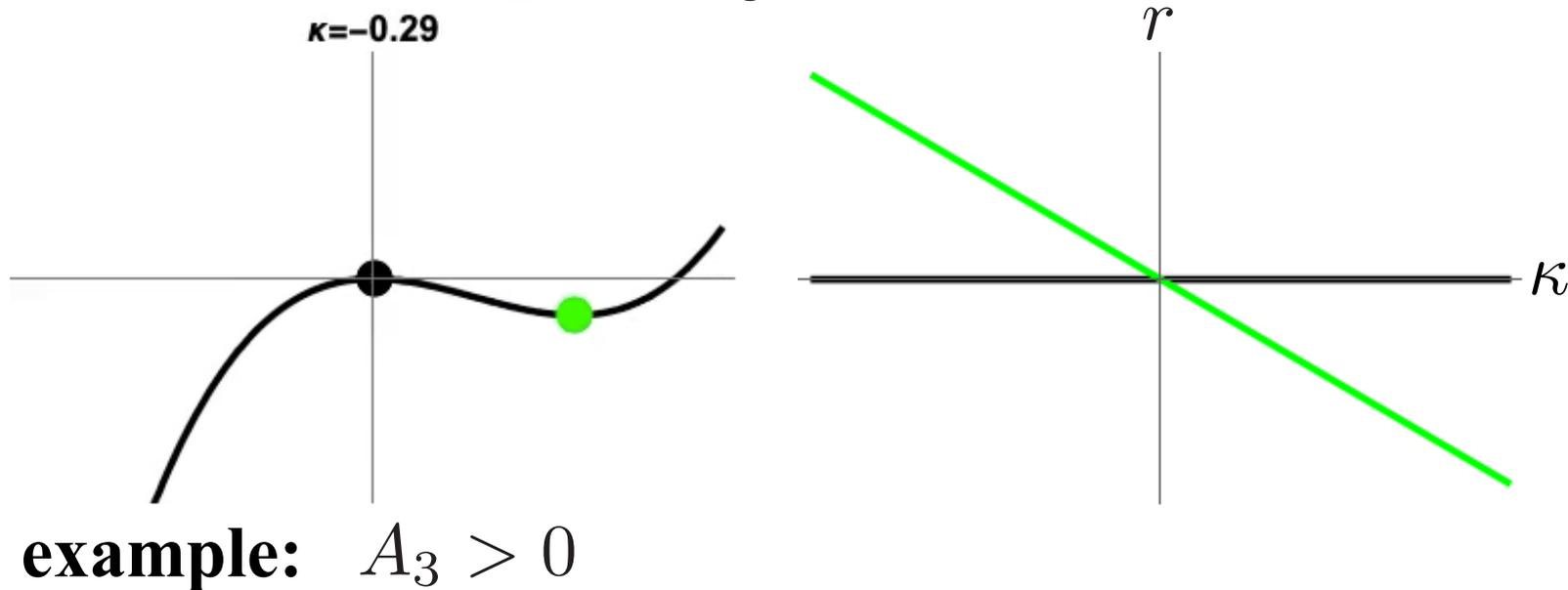
$$\text{if } g(r\phi(\theta)) = r'\phi(\theta') \rightarrow S_{LS}(r', \theta') = S_{LS}(r, \theta)$$

bifurcations

for trivial representation

κ is not degenerate

$$S_{LS}(r) = \frac{\kappa}{2}r^2 + \frac{A_3}{3!}r^3 + O(r^4), \quad A_3 \neq 0$$



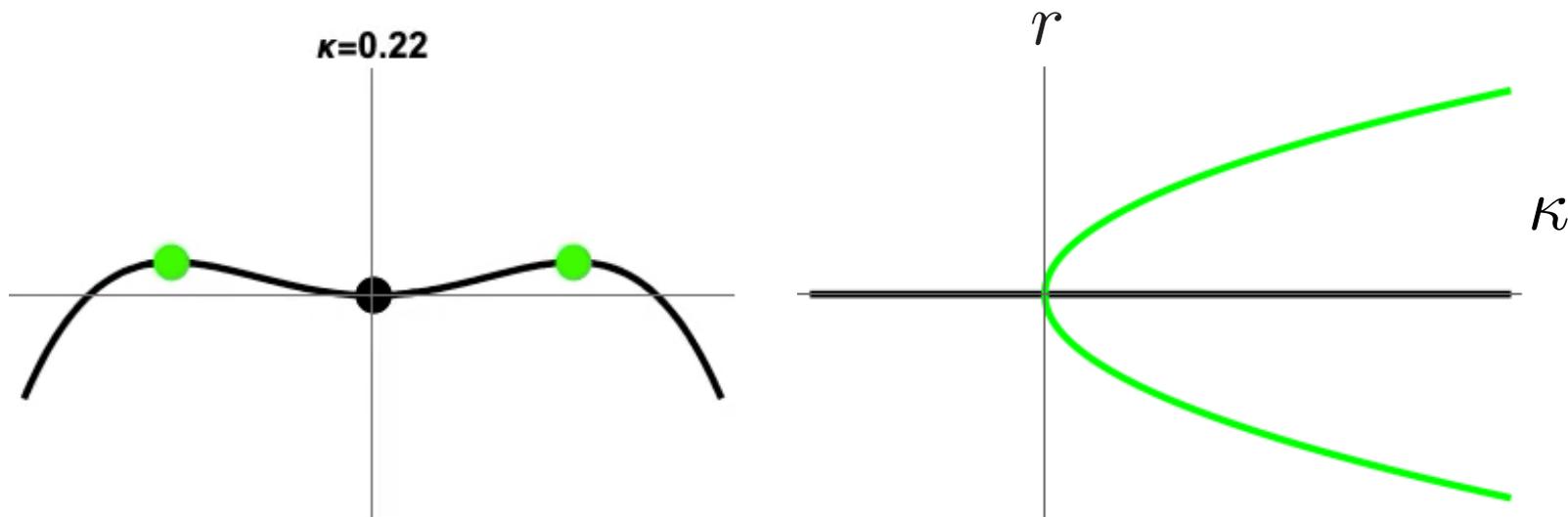
bifurcations

for other one dimensional representations

κ is not degenerate

$$S_{LS}(-r) = S_{LS}(r)$$

$$S_{LS}(r) = \frac{\kappa}{2}r^2 + \frac{A_4}{4!}r^4 + O(r^6), \quad A_4 \neq 0, \quad A_3 = A_5 = \dots = 0.$$



example: $A_4 < 0$

a two dimensional representation

κ is doubly degenerate

$$D_3 : S_{LS}(r, \theta \pm 2\pi/3) = S_{LS}(r, \theta), S_{LS}(r, -\theta) = S_{LS}(r, \theta).$$

$$S_{LS}(r, \theta) = \frac{\kappa}{2}r^2 + \frac{A_3}{3!}r^3 \cos(3\theta) + \frac{A_4}{4!}r^4 + O(r^5).$$

Simó's H

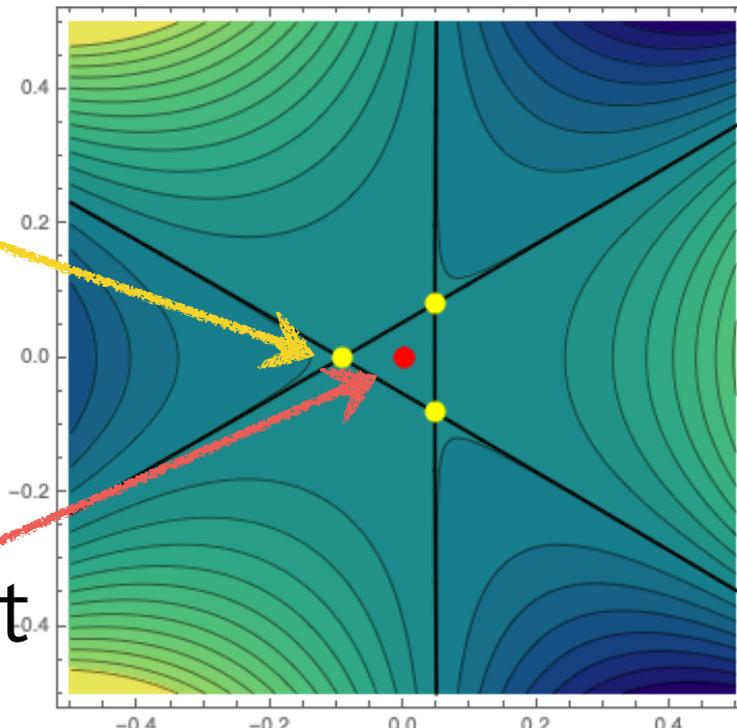
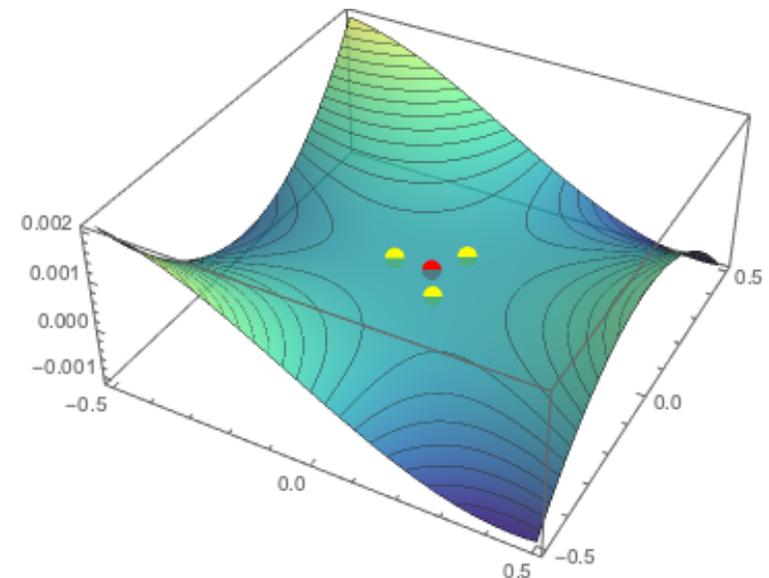


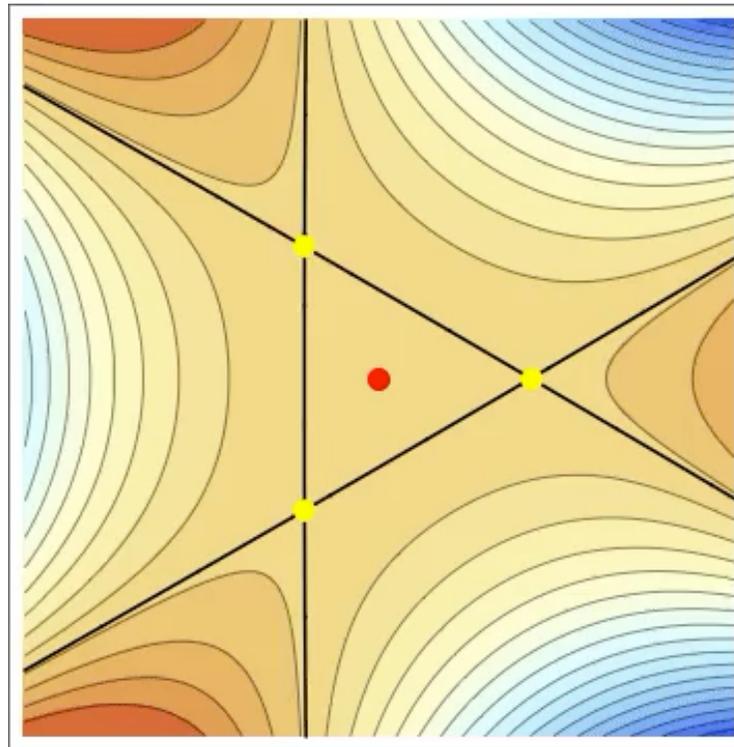
figure-eight



bifurcation of the figure-eight

$$D_3 : S_{LS}(r, \theta \pm 2\pi/3) = S_{LS}(r, \theta), S_{LS}(r, -\theta) = S_{LS}(r, \theta).$$

$$S_{LS}(r, \theta) = \frac{\kappa}{2}r^2 + \frac{A_3}{3!}r^3 \cos(3\theta) + \frac{A_4}{4!}r^4 + O(r^5).$$



$$a_0 = 0.9966$$

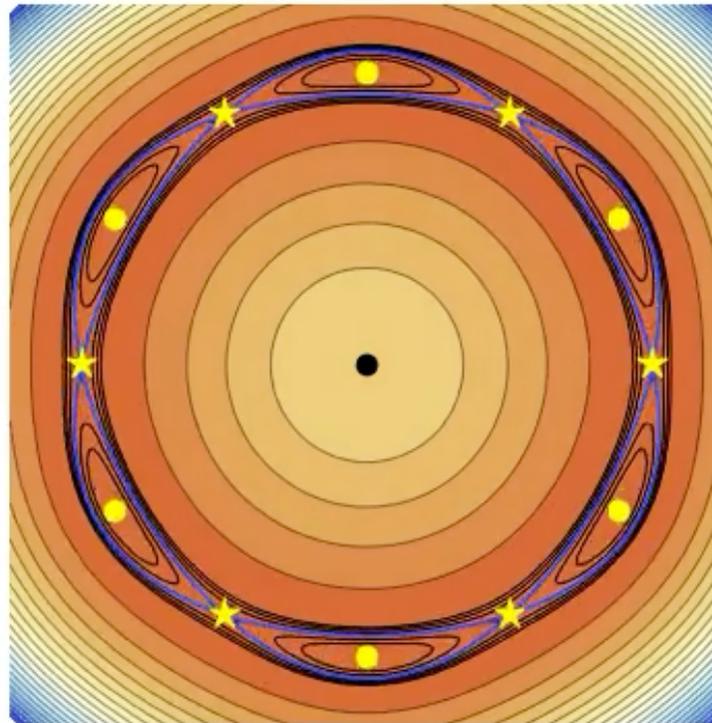
●:figure-eight, ●:Simó's H: saddle

another two dimensional representation

$$D_6 : S_{LS}(r, \theta + 2\pi k/6) = S_{LS}(r, \theta), S_{LS}(r, -\theta) = S_{LS}(r, \theta)$$

the faithful representation of D_6

$$S_{LS}(r, \theta) = \frac{\kappa}{2}r^2 + \frac{A_4}{4!}r^4 + \frac{1}{3!}r^3 \left(A_{6+} \cos(3\theta)^2 + A_{6-} \sin(3\theta)^2 \right) + O(r^8)$$



$$a_0 = 1.34$$

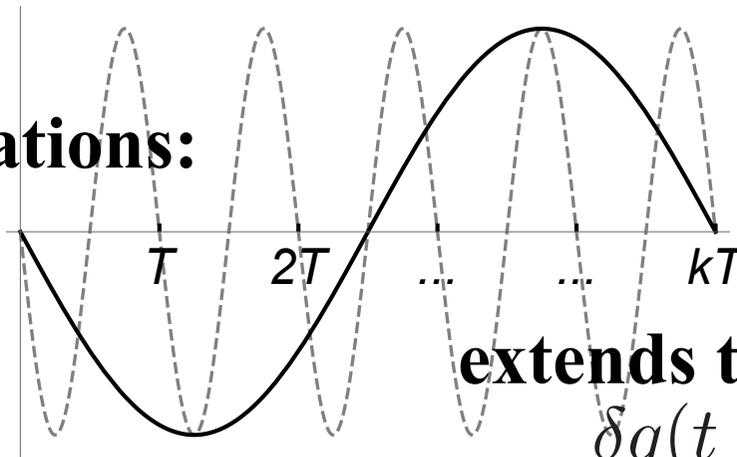
●:figure-eight, ●:local max, ★:saddle

Period k bifurcations of figure-eight solutions

for original: $D_6 = \langle x, y : x^6 = y^2 = 1, xy = yx^{-1} \rangle$

$$x^6 q(t) = q(t + T) \Rightarrow x^6 = 1$$

for period k bifurcations:



$$x^{6k} q(t) = q(t + kT) \Rightarrow x^{6k} = 1$$

$D_{6k} = \langle x, y : x^{6k} = y^2 = 1, xy = yx^{-1} \rangle$

for period 5 bifurcations of figure-eights

$D_{30} = \langle x, y : x^{30} = y^2 = 1, xy = yx^{-1} \rangle$

period k bifurcations of D_1

$$D_1 = \{1, S\}, Sq(t) \sim q(-t)$$

$$Rq(t) = q(t + T)$$

for period k bifurcations: $\delta q(t + kT) = \delta q(t) \Rightarrow R^k = 1$



$$D_k = \{R, S : R^k = S^2 = 1, RS = SR^{-1}\}$$

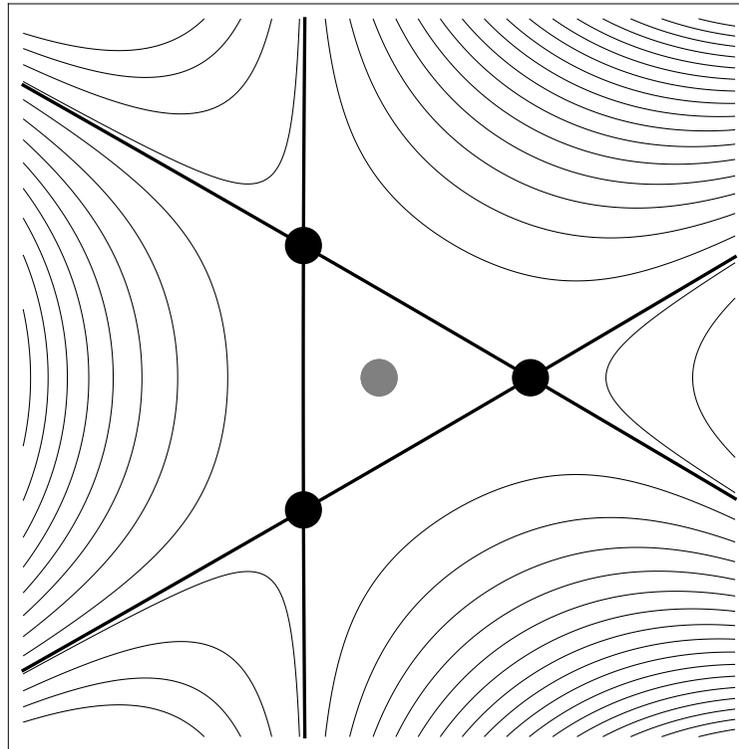
R symmetry is broken

period k bifurcation

period 3 bifurcations of D_1

$$D_3 = \{R, S : R^3 = S^2 = 1, RS = SR^{-1}\}$$

$$S_{\text{LS}}(r, \theta) = \frac{\kappa}{2}r^2 + \frac{A_3}{3!}r^3 \cos(3\theta) + \frac{A_4}{4!}r^4 + O(r^5).$$

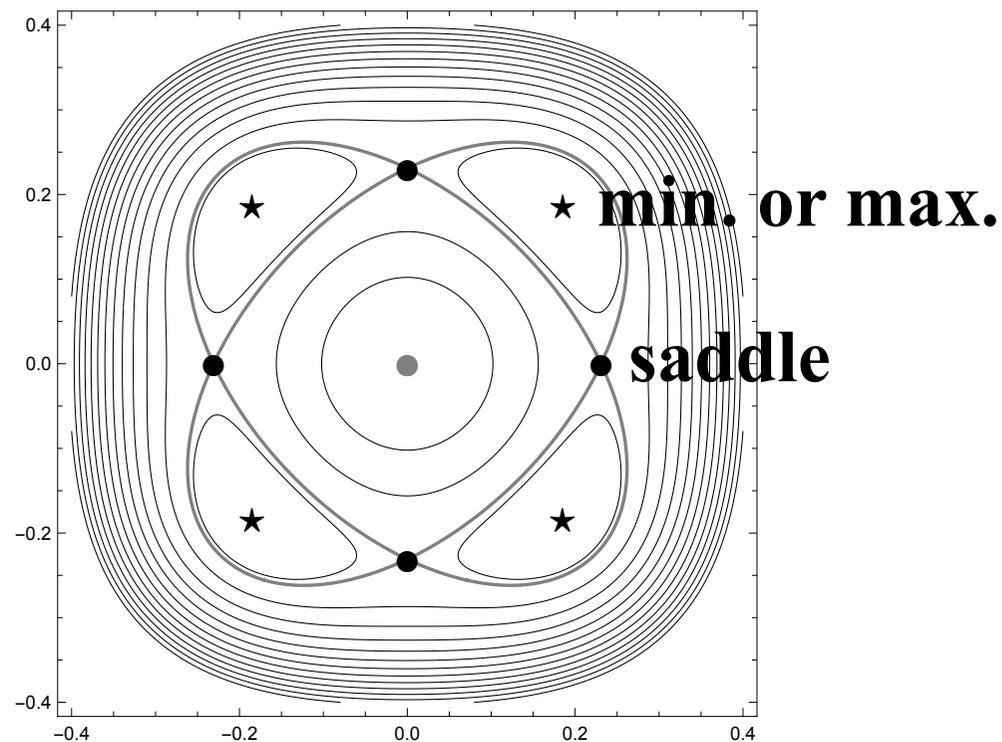


period 4 bifurcations of D_1

$$D_4 = \{R, S : R^4 = S^2 = 1, RS = SR^{-1}\}$$

$$S_{\text{LS}}(r, \theta) = \frac{\kappa}{2}r^2 + \frac{r^4}{4!} (a_4 + b_4 \cos(4\theta)) + O(r^6).$$

case 1:



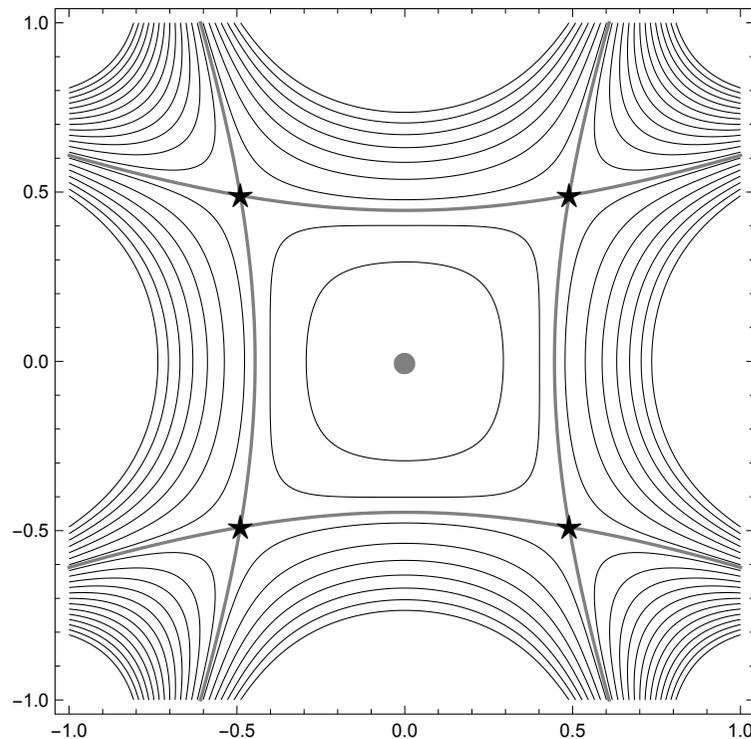
one side

period 4 bifurcations of D_1

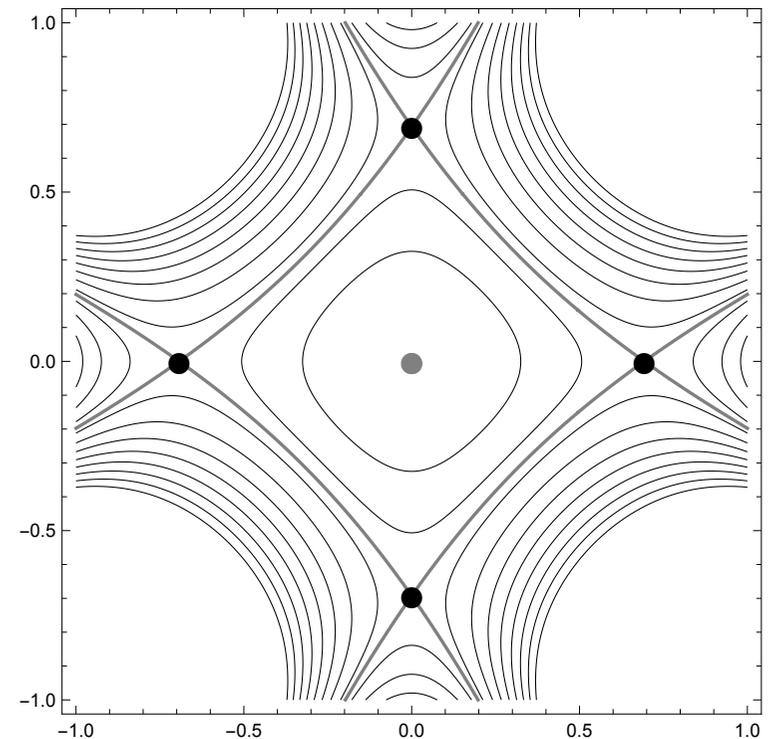
$$D_4 = \{R, S : R^4 = S^2 = 1, RS = SR^{-1}\}$$

$$S_{\text{LS}}(r, \theta) = \frac{\kappa}{2}r^2 + \frac{r^4}{4!}(a_4 + b_4 \cos(4\theta)) + O(r^6).$$

case 2:



one side



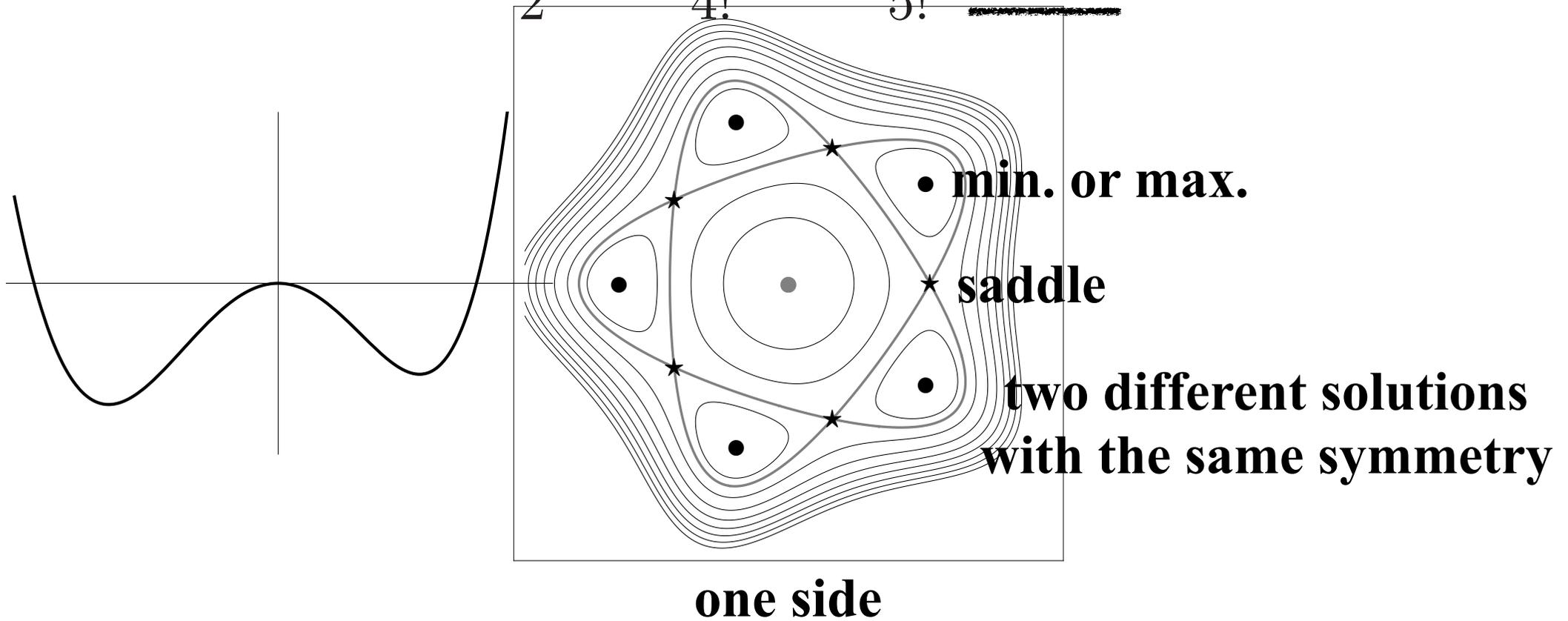
the other side

bifurcated solutions are saddle

period 5 bifurcations of D_1

$$D_5 = \{R, S : R^5 = S^2 = 1, RS = SR^{-1}\}$$

$$S_{\text{LS}}(r, \theta) = \frac{\kappa}{2}r^2 + \frac{A_4}{4!}r^4 + \frac{A_5}{5!}\cos(5\theta) + O(r^6).$$



Summary

Variational principle + group theory

$$S_{LS}(r, \theta) = S[q_o + r\phi(\theta) + r \sum \epsilon_\alpha(r, \theta)\psi_\alpha] - S[q_o]$$

$$\mathcal{H}\phi(\theta) = \kappa\phi(\theta) : \kappa \rightarrow 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{a bifurcation}$$

Irreducible representations of group G determine bifurcation patterns

Hessian & Lyapunov-Schmidt reduced action

$$\text{Symmetry: } g(r\phi(\theta)) = r'\phi(\theta') \Rightarrow S_{LS}(r', \theta') = S_{LS}(r, s)$$

Bifurcations & Symmetry breaking

Explains bifurcations of figure-eights, period k bifurcations of D_1

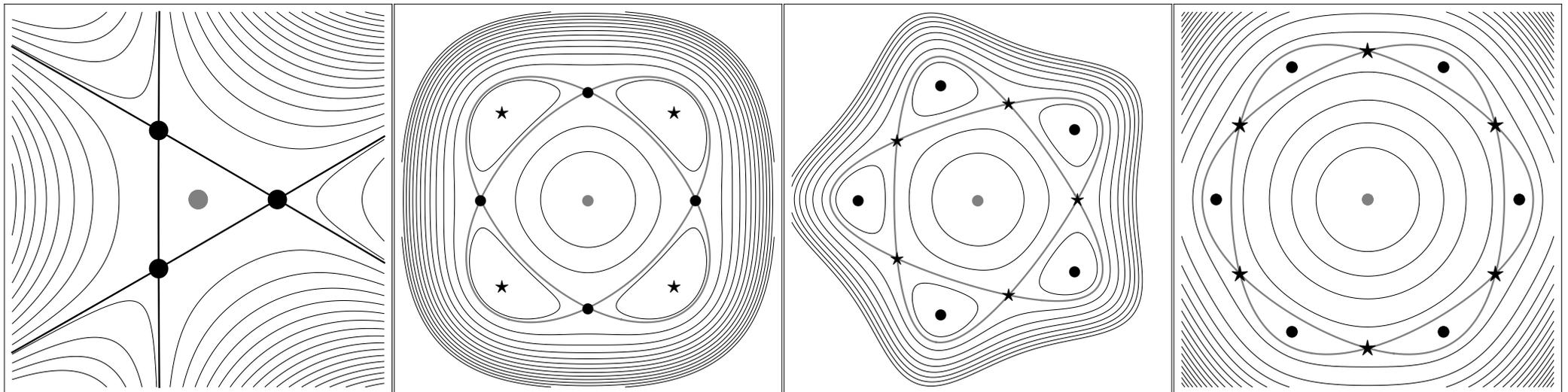
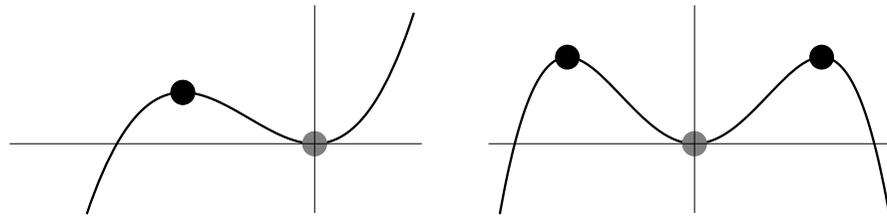
no considerations for stability

Who has seen the Action?

Neither I nor you:

But near the bifurcation points

You and I are seeing the Lyapunov-Schmidt reduced Action



be careful! it is NOT full action

Who has seen the Wind?

by CHRISTINA ROSSETTI

Who has seen the wind?

Neither I nor you:

But when the leaves hang trembling,

The wind is passing through.

Who has seen the wind?

Neither you nor I:

But when the trees bow down their heads,

The wind is passing by.

the action of the Simó's H is greater than that of the figure-eight
the values of action for $T = 1$

Figure 8	
13.2077823369 941007626 (*1)	
13.2077823369 941007252 (*2)	
13.2077823369 940973414 (*3)	
Simo H	
13.2077837668 871694251 (*1)	
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$$\frac{S_{\text{Simó's H}} - S_{\text{figure-eight}}}{S_{\text{figure-eight}}} = 1.1 \times 10^{-7}$$

*1 and *2 are directly calculated by the integration along the numerical solution

$$S = \int_0^T dt \left(\sum_{k=1,2,3} \frac{1}{2} |\dot{q}_k|^2 + \sum_{i < j} \frac{1}{r_{ij}} \right).$$

*3 is calculated by $S = -3ET$, where E is the energy and $T = 1$ is the period. Since this is determined by the initial conditions, accuracy of this value is high.