

Space Debris: from LEO to GEO

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- Space debris problematic
- Forces
- Gravitational resonances
- Solar radiation pressure (SRP)
- Shadowing effects
- Lunisolar resonances
- Numerical integrations
- Chaos
- Atmospheric drag
- Other aspects : rotation, Yarkovsky, synthetic population

Post-doc : Deleflie and Casanova, and Phd : Valk, Delsate, Hubaux, Petit and Murawiecka

- Analytical formulations : toy models
- Analytical formulations : algebraic manipulator
- Numerical integrations : for short or long periods of time
- Semi-analytical : resonant or not (STELA)
- NIMASTEP (Delsate and Compère + Petit)
 - Choice of the integrator (fixed or variable step) and the perturbations (with shadows)
 - Addition of atmospheric drag + parallel
- SYMPLEC : symplectic integrator (Hubaux)

Symplectic integrator : Hubaux

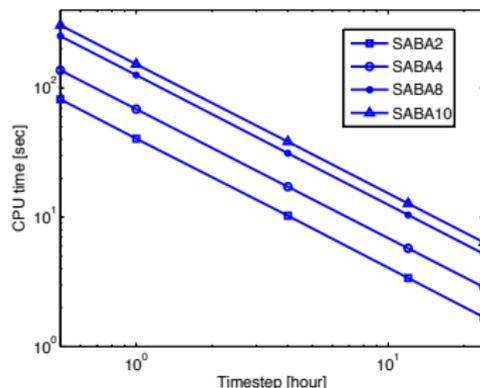
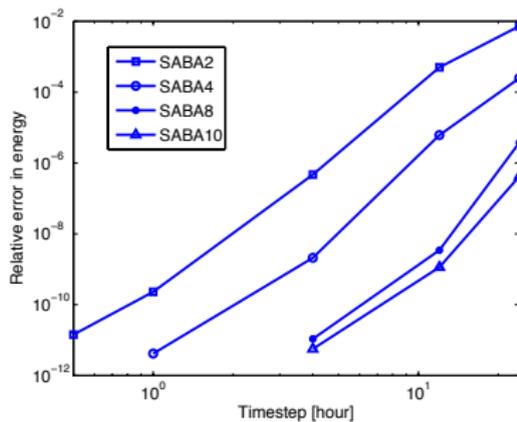
Two separate parts in the dynamics A and B : 1/2 step with one, 1 step with the second, 1/2 step with one.

Most classical : SABA, SBAB (Laskar and Robutel)

Time dependent perturbation - 500 years - ephemerides Sun

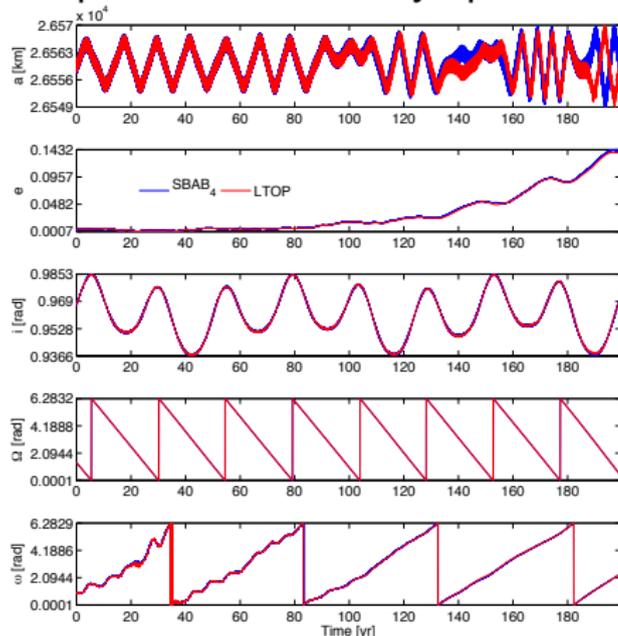
Different orders : 2, 4, 6, 8

$$H(\vec{v}, \Lambda, \vec{r}, \theta) = H_K(\vec{v}, \vec{r}) + H_{Rot}(\Lambda) + H_{Geo}(\vec{r}, \theta) + H_{3B}(\vec{r}, \theta) + H_{SRP}(\vec{r}, \theta) = A(\vec{v}, \vec{r}, \Lambda) + B(\vec{r}, \theta)$$



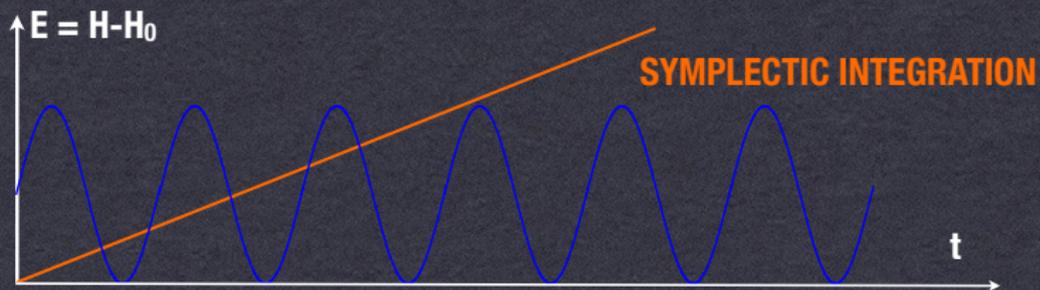
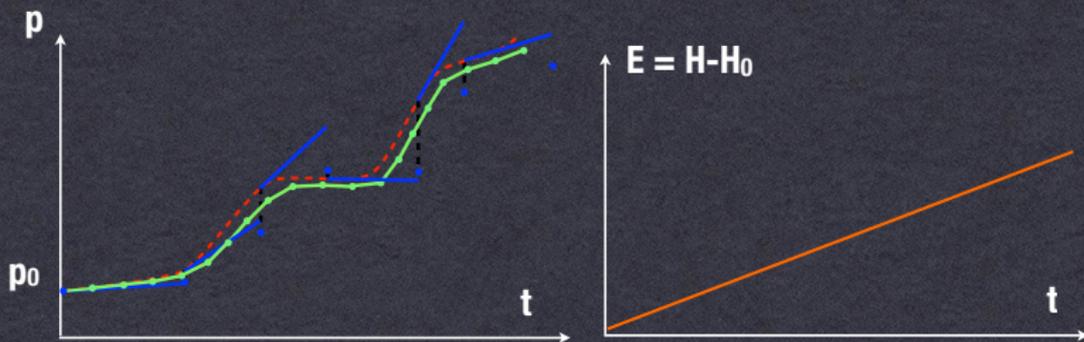
Symplectic integrator

Compared with a test symplectic integrator of ESOC : LTOP



Symplectic integrator

CLASSICAL NUMERICAL INTEGRATION



Use of several symplectic integrators

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = L_{\mathcal{H}}\vec{x} = \{\mathcal{H}, \vec{x}\} = \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial p_j} \frac{\partial \vec{x}}{\partial q_j} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial q_j} \frac{\partial \vec{x}}{\partial p_j} \right).$$

$$\vec{x}(t) = e^{\tau L_{\mathcal{H}}} \vec{x}(t_0) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\tau^j}{j!} L_{\mathcal{H}}^j \vec{x}(t_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} H(p,q) &= A(p,q) + B(p,q) \\ \Phi &= A + B + O(\tau^{n+1}) \end{aligned}$$

Yoshida 1990
 S_4, S_6

$$\begin{aligned} H(p,q) &= A(p,q) + \varepsilon B(p,q) \\ \Phi &= A + \varepsilon B + O(\tau^{2n} \varepsilon + \tau^2 \varepsilon^2) \end{aligned}$$

Laskar and Robutel 2001
 $SABA_4, SABA_6, SABA_8, SABA_{10}$

Symplectic integrator

SABA_{2n}(τ)

$$= e^{c_1\tau L_A} e^{d_1\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} \dots e^{c_n\tau L_A} e^{d_n\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} e^{c_{n+1}\tau L_A} e^{d_{n+1}\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} e^{c_n\tau L_A} \dots e^{d_1\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} e^{c_1\tau L_A}$$

SABA_{2n+1}(τ)

$$= e^{c_1\tau L_A} e^{d_1\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} \dots e^{c_{n+1}\tau L_A} e^{d_{n+1}\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} e^{c_{n+1}\tau L_A} \dots e^{d_1\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} e^{c_1\tau L_A}$$

SBAB_{2n}(τ)

$$= e^{d_1\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} e^{c_2\tau L_A} e^{d_2\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} \dots e^{c_{n+1}\tau L_A} e^{d_{n+1}\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} e^{c_{n+1}\tau L_A} \dots e^{d_2\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} e^{c_2\tau L_A} e^{d_1\tau L_{\varepsilon B}}$$

SBAB_{2n+1}(τ)

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Symplectic integrator

$$\text{SABA}_2(\tau) = e^{c_1\tau L_A} e^{d_1\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} e^{c_2\tau L_A} e^{d_1\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} e^{c_1\tau L_A}$$

$$\vec{x}_{k+1} = \text{SABA}_2(\tau)\vec{x}_k$$

$$t_{k+1} = t_k + \tau$$

$$\mathcal{H}(\vec{p}, \vec{q}) = A(\vec{p}) + \varepsilon B(\vec{q}).$$

$$\vec{x}_{k_1} = e^{c_1\tau L_A} \vec{x}_k$$

$$\vec{x}_{k_2} = e^{d_1\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} \vec{x}_{k_1}$$

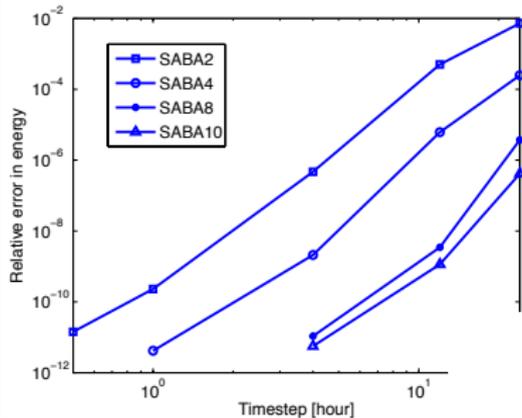
$$\vec{x}_{k_3} = e^{c_2\tau L_A} \vec{x}_{k_2}$$

$$\vec{x}_{k_4} = e^{d_1\tau L_{\varepsilon B}} \vec{x}_{k_3}$$

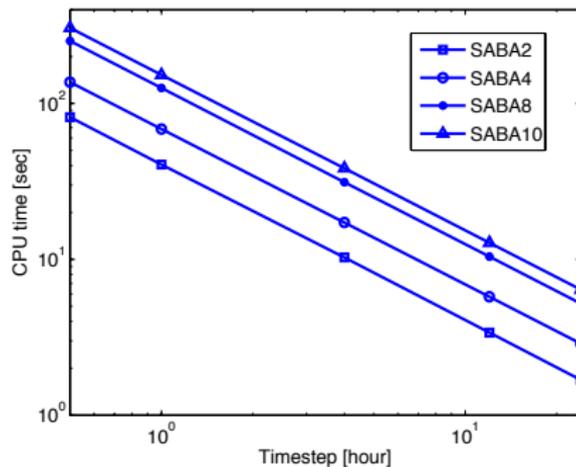
$$\vec{x}_{k+1} = \vec{x}_{k_5} = e^{c_1\tau L_A} \vec{x}_{k_4}$$

$$t_{k+1} = t_k + \tau.$$

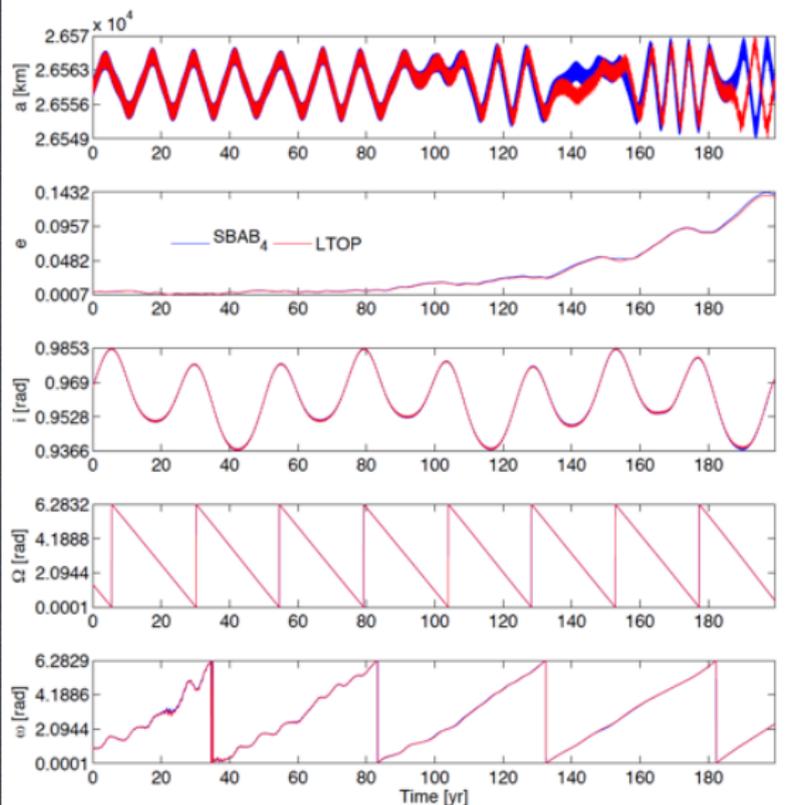
Symplectic integrator



Implementation of several cases
up to order 10



Symplectic integrator

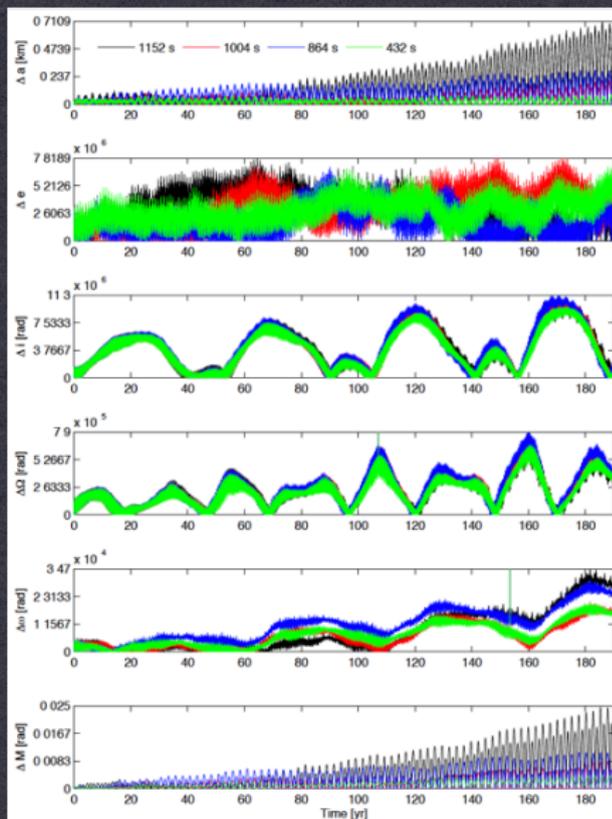


LTOP
SBAB₄

200 years

LTOP =
Symplectic integrator of ESA
(non public, Yoshida type)

Symplectic integrator



Comparisons with non symplectic integrators

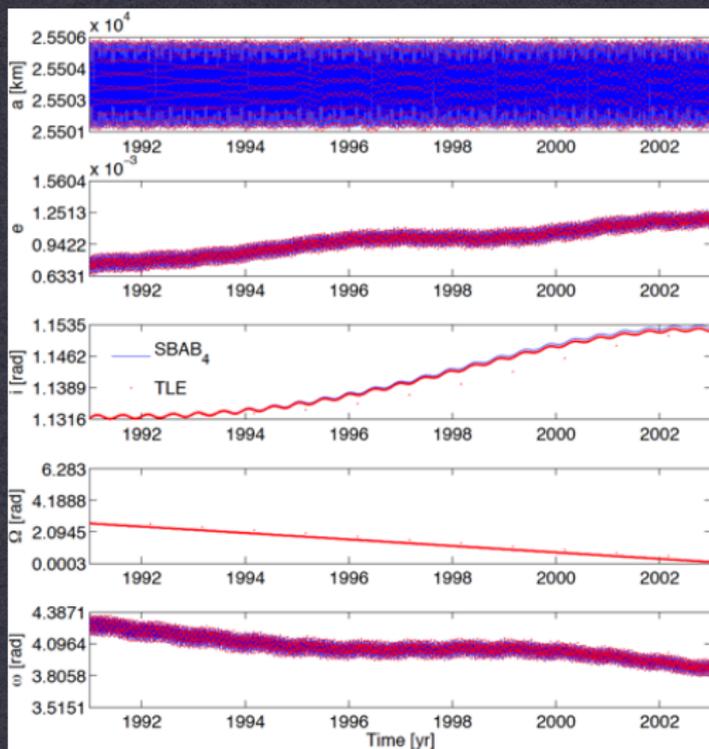
Stepsize for SABA₄ = 4 hours
= 14 400 s

stepsize for NIMASTEPA = 1152 s
stepsize for NIMASTEPE = 1004 s
stepsize for NIMASTEPE = 864 s
stepsize for NIMASTEPE = 432 s

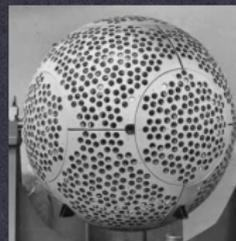
NIMASTEPA ABM 10
Adams - Bashforth - Moulton

Hubaux et al, ASR, 2012
Delsate and Compère, A&A, 2012

OBSERVATIONAL DATA



ETALON 1



12 YEARS

motion of a TLE - MEO
integration with SABA₄
and by Rossi's software

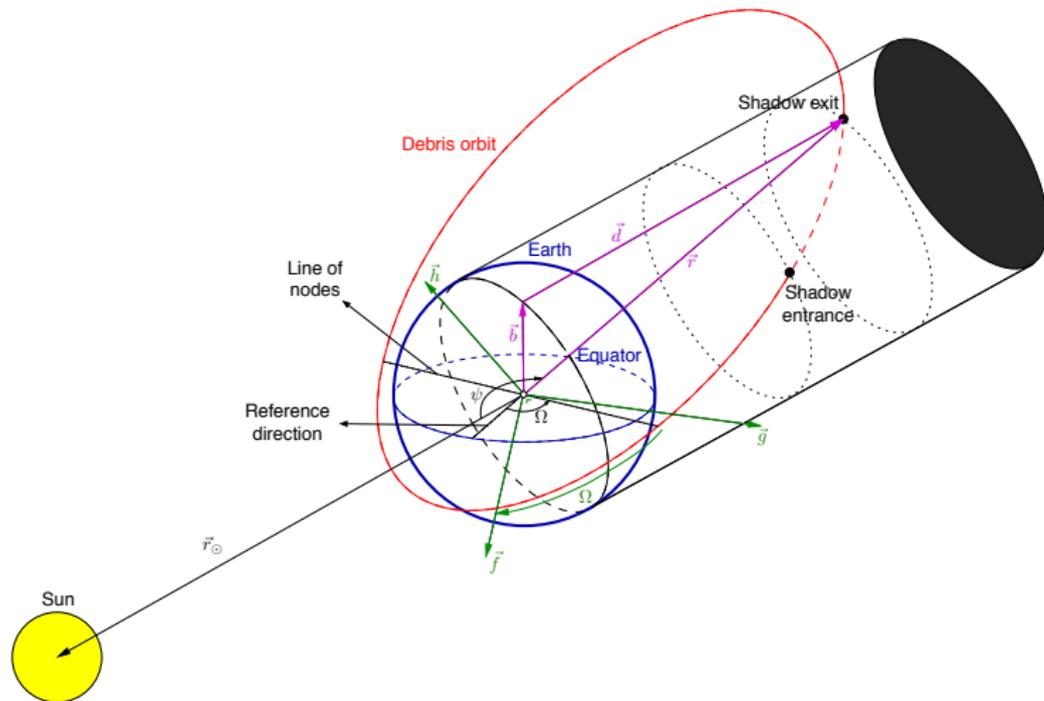
Geopotential
up to degree and order 20

SRP ($A/M = 0.001 \text{ m}^2/\text{kg}$
+ conical shadows

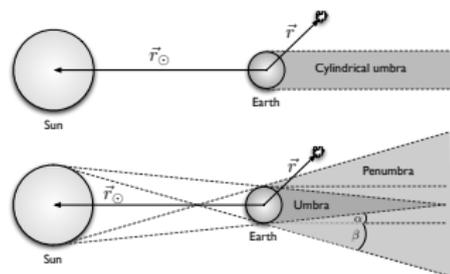
Sun and Moon

SRP and shadowing effects

Passage in the Earth's shadow



Smooth Shadowing effects



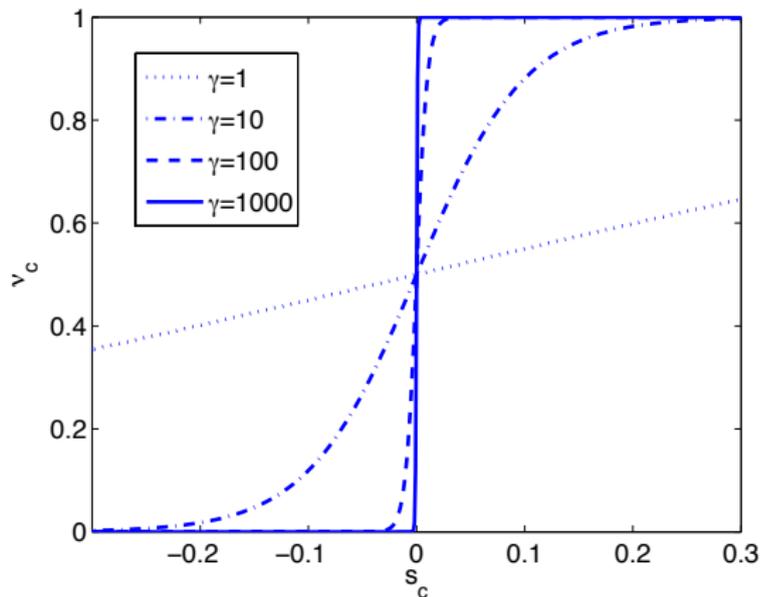
$$s_C(\vec{r}) = \sqrt{r^2 - R_{\oplus}^2} + \frac{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}_{\odot}}{r_{\odot}} \leq 0$$

switch on/off (numerically ?)
adapted averaging methods

$$\nu_C = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \tanh(\gamma s_C(\vec{r}))) \simeq \begin{cases} 0 & \text{in cylindrical umbra} \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Penumbra/umbra function for the conical case (ν_p) with 2 parameters

Gamma parameter



Cone

$$\alpha = \operatorname{atan} \frac{R_{\odot} - R_{\oplus}}{\|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_{\odot}\|} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta = \operatorname{atan} \frac{R_{\odot} + R_{\oplus}}{\|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_{\odot}\|}$$

with R_{\odot} the radius of the Sun. Extending relation (3.7), it follows that space debris are in the umbra cone when

$$s_u(\vec{r}) := \frac{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}_{\odot}}{r_{\odot}} + \cos \alpha \left[\sqrt{r^2 - R_{\oplus}^2 \cos^2 \alpha} + R_{\oplus} \sin \alpha \right] \leq 0$$

and in the penumbra cone when

$$s_p(\vec{r}) := \frac{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}_{\odot}}{r_{\odot}} + \cos \beta \left[\sqrt{r^2 - R_{\oplus}^2 \cos^2 \beta} - R_{\oplus} \sin \beta \right] \leq 0.$$

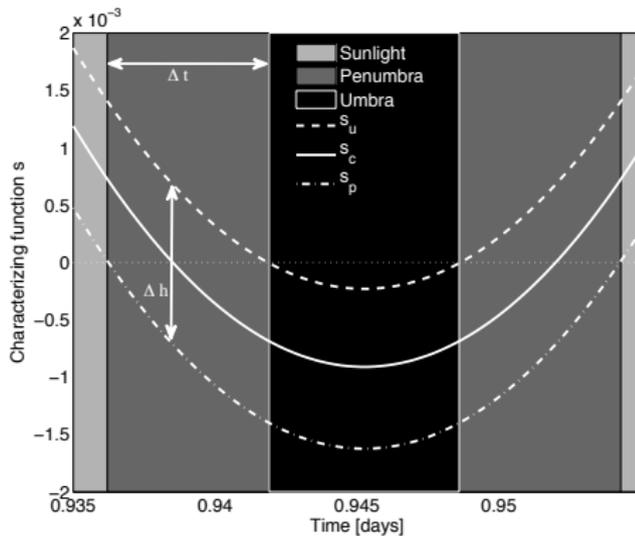
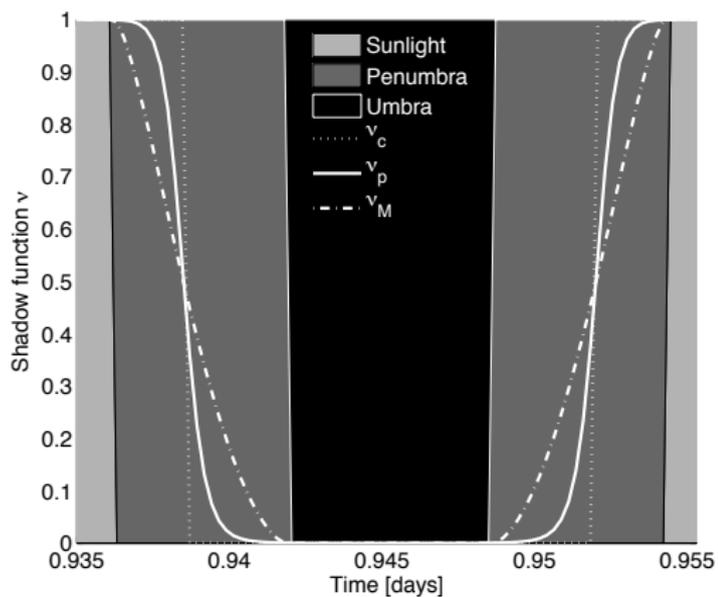


FIGURE 3.4 • Evolution of the functions s_c , s_u and s_p during a shadow crossing on a geostationary orbit. The penumbra and umbra cones are crossed respectively when s_p is negative and s_u is negative. The time spent in the penumbra transition is noted Δt and the difference between s_u and s_p at the entrance of the cylindrical shadow is denoted by Δh .

Smooth Shadowing effects



v_M proposed by Montenbruck and Ghill (2005)

- Use of the usual chaos indicators
- MEGNO : Mean Exponential Growth factor of Nearby Orbits (Cincotta and Simo)
- Integrated with NIMASTEP and symplectic integrator
- Frequency Map (Laskar)
- Important information for the validity of the integrations and detection of stability areas
- Other studies : FLI

Quantitative consideration: Indicators of chaoticity

In chaotic (irregular) regions of phase space two initially nearby trajectories **separate roughly exponentially with time**; in quasi-periodic (regular) neighboring trajectories **separate roughly linearly with time** (Chirikov, 1979)

Consequences:

- Computation of **rate of separation (divergence)**
- Sensitive **dependence on initial conditions**

Definition

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{t - t_0} \ln \left(\frac{d(t)}{d(t_0)} \right)$$

d is the Euclidian distance between two initially nearby trajectories.

- Chaotic trajectories (irregular):
 d grows exponentially (on the average), γ approaches some positive constant
- Quasi-periodic trajectories (regular):
 d grows linearly, γ approaches zero as $\ln(t)/t$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t), \alpha), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$$

where α is a vector of parameters

$$\dot{\delta} = \frac{d}{dt}\delta(\phi(t)) = \mathbf{J}(\phi(t))\delta(\phi(t)), \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{J}(t) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\phi(t)),$$

with $\delta = x(t) - x_0(t)$ and $\phi(t)$ is a solution of the flow.

The Lyapounov Characteristic Number λ (LCN)

$$\lambda = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_1(t), \quad \text{with} \quad \lambda_1(t) = \frac{1}{t} \ln \frac{\|\delta(\phi(t))\|}{\|\delta(\phi(t_0))\|}$$

The MEGNO indicator - Integral formulation

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \frac{\dot{\delta}(\phi(s))}{\delta(\phi(s))} ds$$

where $\delta = \|\delta\|$, $\dot{\delta} = \dot{\delta} \cdot \delta / \delta$.

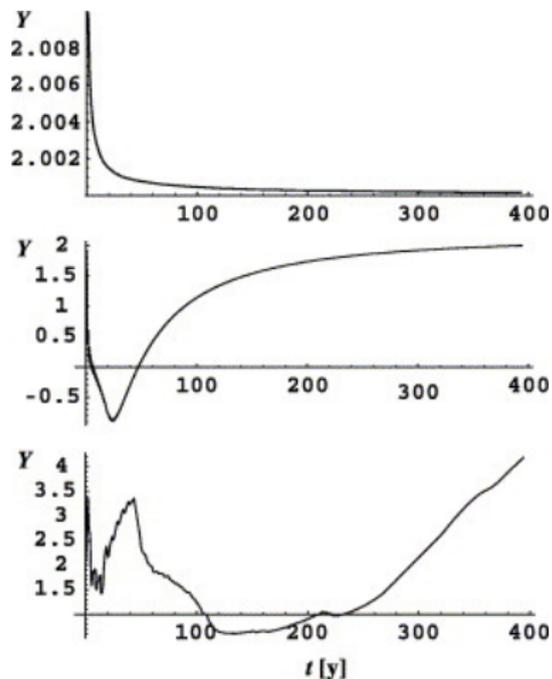
MEGNO

The **M**ean **E**xponential **G**rowth factor of **N**earby **time-weighted version** of the integral form of the LCN. More precisely, Cincotta et al. introduced and defined the MEGNO indicator:

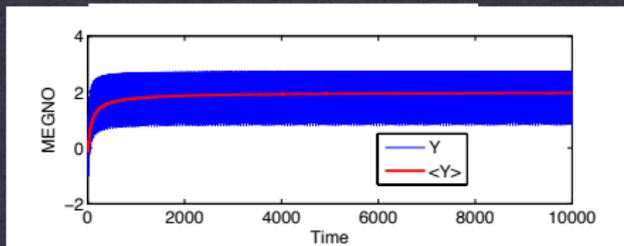
$$Y(\phi(t)) = \frac{2}{t} \int_0^t \frac{\dot{\delta}(\phi(s))}{\delta(\phi(s))} s ds, \quad \bar{Y}(\phi(t)) = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t Y(\phi(s)) ds$$

The MEGNO indicator - properties

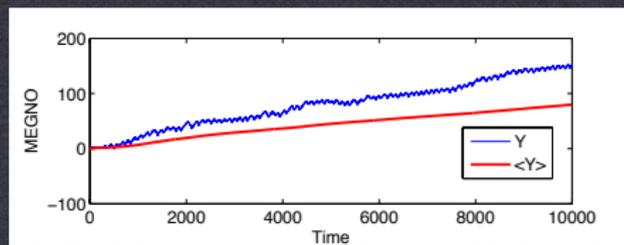
- Chaotic (irregular)
 $\overline{Y}(t) \simeq \lambda/2 t$
- Quasi-periodic (regular)
 $\overline{Y}(t) \rightarrow 2$
- Stable, isochronous
periodic orbits $\overline{Y}(t) \rightarrow 0$



Breiter et al 2001

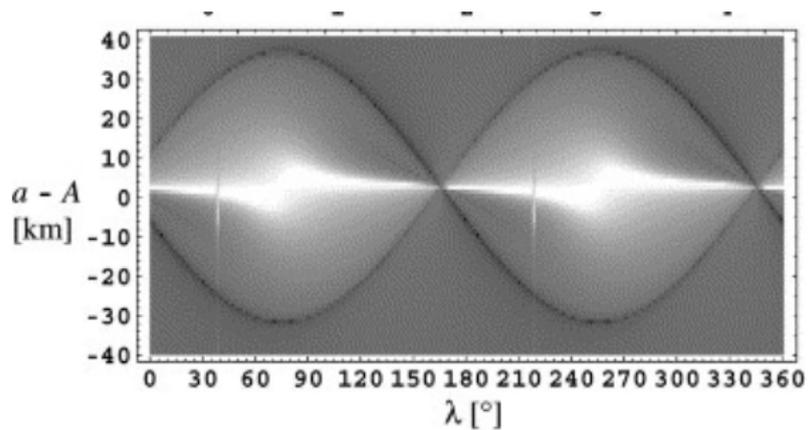


Stable
quasi-periodic
orbit

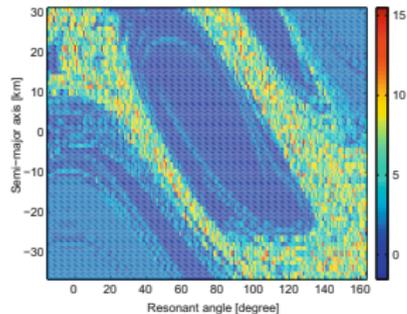
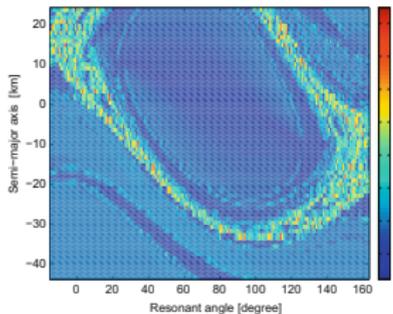
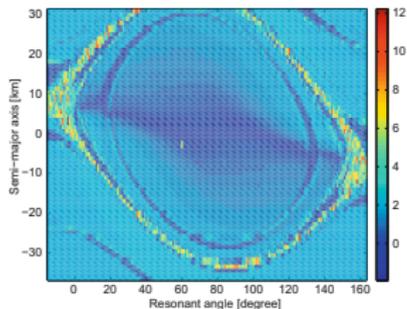
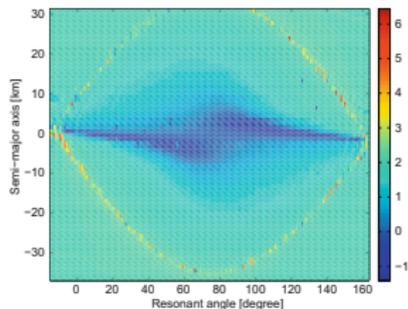


Unstable orbit

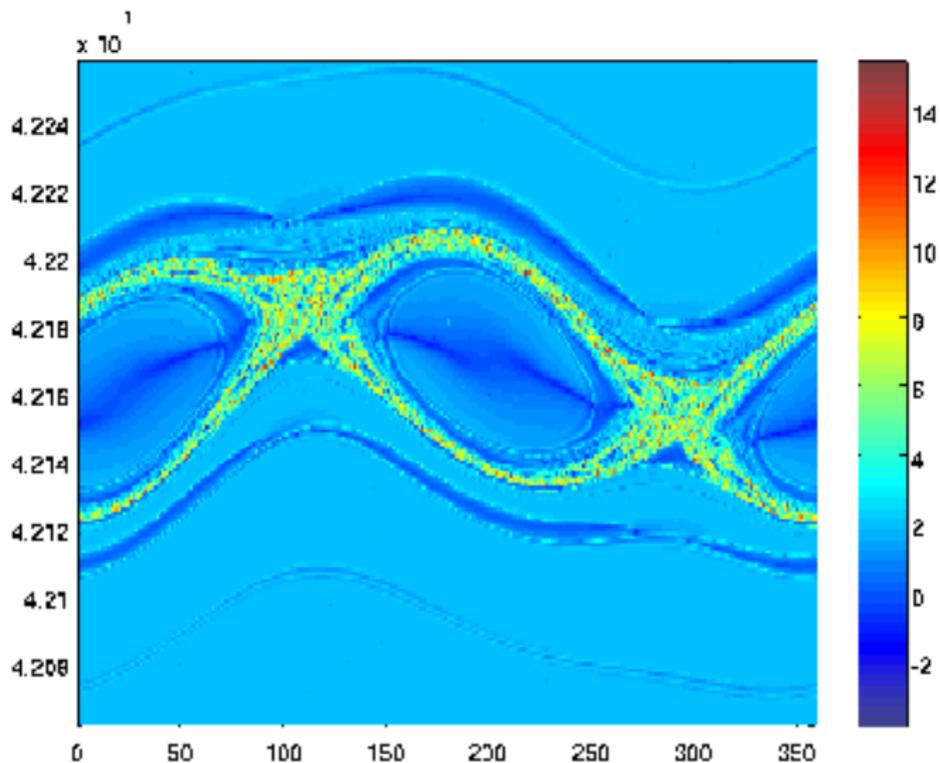
time in days



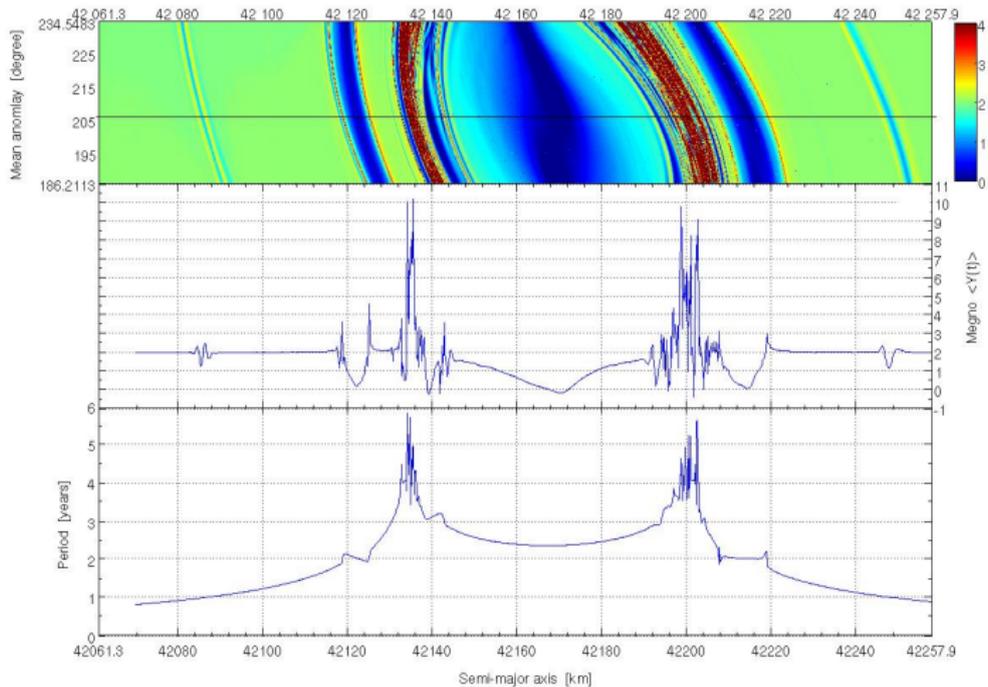
MEGNO : GEO - 30 years - $A/M = 1, 5, 10, 20 \text{ m}^2/\text{kg}$



Geo resonance



Geo resonance



Variation of the frequencies - second derivatives

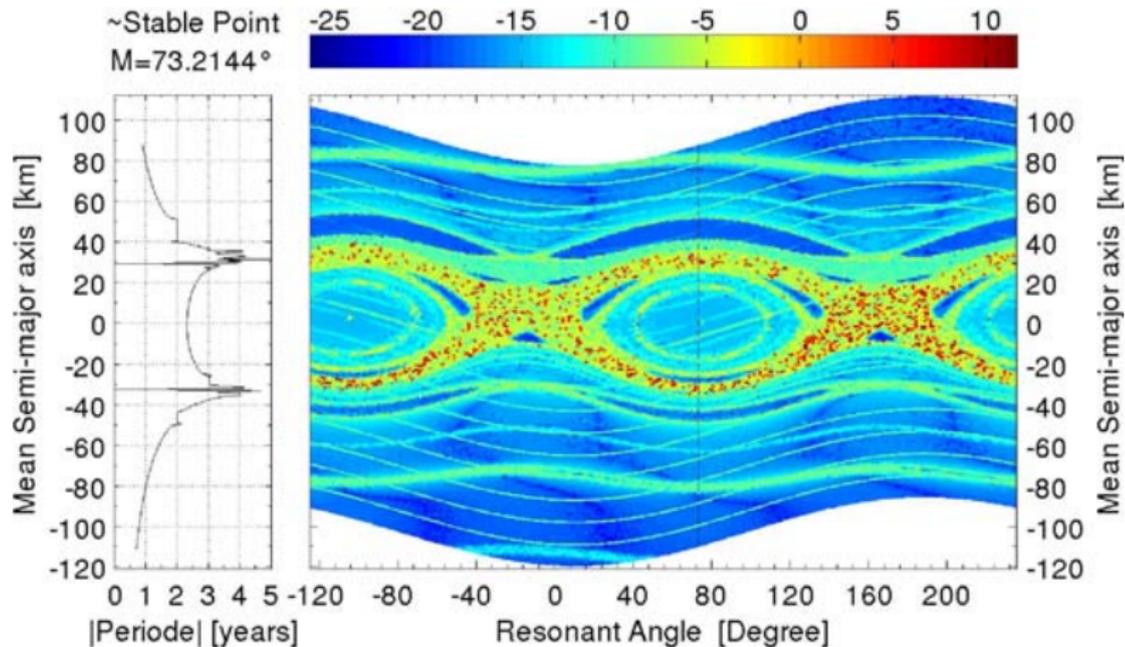
Principle

The main purpose of the FAM is to determine the approximation $f'(t)$ of a signal $f(t)$, where both are developed in Fourier series:

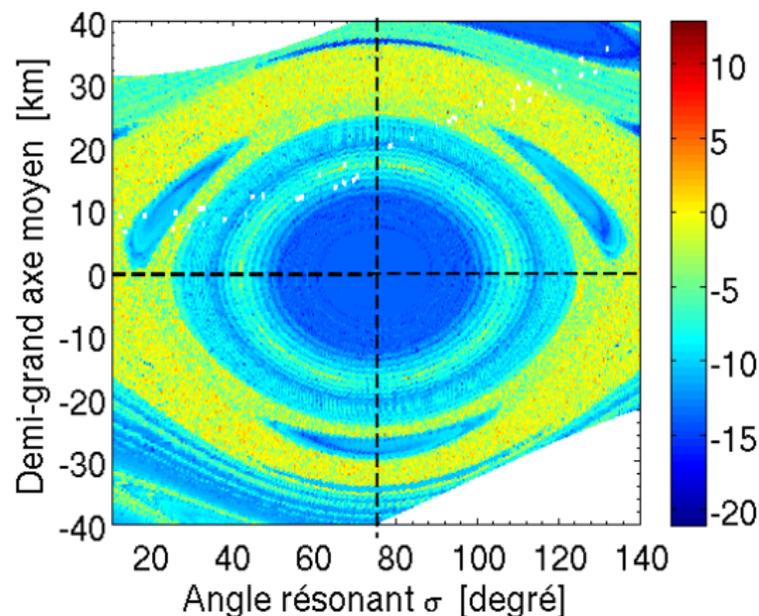
$$f'(t) = \sum_{k=1}^N p'_k e^{i\nu'_k t} \text{ approximation of the initial signal } f(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_k e^{i\nu_k t}.$$

The frequencies ν'_k for $k = 1, \dots, N$ and their associated decreasing amplitudes p'_k for $k = 1, \dots, N$ are determined through an iterative scheme.

Frequency map



Primary and secondary resonance analysis : stability zones



Secondary resonances

Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H} = -\frac{\mu^2}{2L^2} - \dot{\theta}L + \frac{\mu}{a^3} R_e^2 (F_{200}(i) G_{200}(e) S_{2200} + F_{221}(i) G_{212}(e) S_{2212})$$

Truncation

$$\mathcal{H} = -\frac{\mu^2}{2L^2} - \dot{\theta}L + \frac{3\mu^4}{L^6} R_e^2 J_{22} \cos 2(\sigma - \sigma_0) - \frac{15\mu^4}{2L^6} R_e^2 e^2 J_{22} \cos 2(\sigma - \sigma_0).$$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \kappa = \frac{3}{2} C_r P_r \frac{A}{m} \frac{a}{\sqrt{L}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= -\kappa \sin \lambda_{\odot} + C_x &= -\kappa (\sin \lambda_{\odot} - D_x) \\ y_1 &= \kappa \cos \lambda_{\odot} \cos \epsilon + C_y &= \kappa (\cos \lambda_{\odot} \cos \epsilon + D_y). \end{aligned}$$

Resonance

$$e^2 = \frac{\mathcal{Z}^2}{L^2 n_S^2} + \gamma^2 + \frac{2\mathcal{Z}}{Ln_S} \gamma \cos(\lambda_S + \delta)$$

and the final (with all these successive approximations) Hamiltonian K is:

$$K(L, \sigma) = -\frac{\mu^2}{2L^2} - \dot{\theta}L + \cos(2\sigma - 2\sigma_0) \left[\frac{F}{L^6} - \frac{2G}{L^6} \cos(\lambda_S + \delta) \right],$$

with

$$F = 3\mu^4 R_c^2 J_{22} - \frac{15\mu^4}{2} R_c^2 J_{22} \left(\frac{\mathcal{Z}^2}{L^2 n_S^2} + \gamma^2 \right)$$

$$G = \frac{15\mu^4}{2} R_c^2 J_{22} \frac{\mathcal{Z}}{Ln_S} \gamma$$

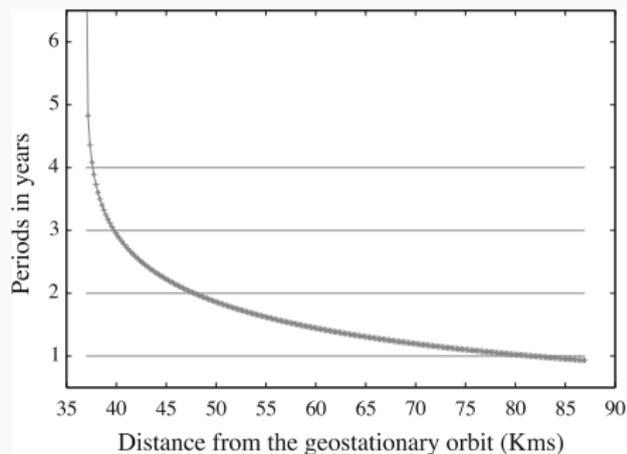
Resonance

$$\begin{aligned}K &= -\beta \left(\frac{R^2}{2} - b \cos r \right) - 2 \frac{G}{L_0^6} \cos r \cos (\lambda_S + \delta) \\ &= -\beta \left(\frac{R^2}{2} - b \cos r + 2 G' \cos r \cos \eta \right) \quad \text{with } G' = -\frac{G}{\beta L_0^6} \\ h &= \frac{K}{-\beta} = \frac{R^2}{2} - b \cos r + G' \cos (r + \eta) + G' \cos (r - \eta),\end{aligned}$$

where $\eta = \lambda_S + \delta$.

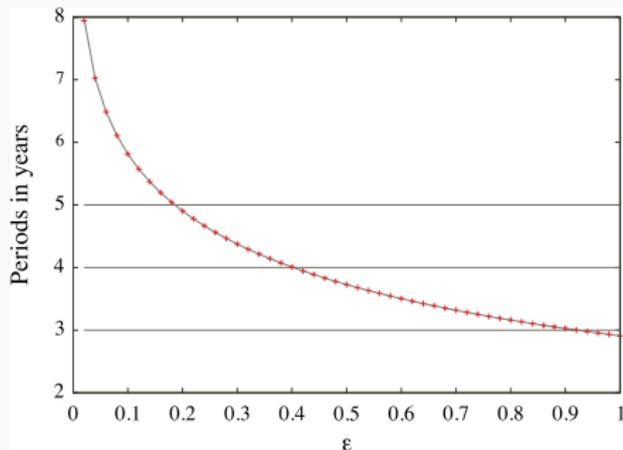
Circulation cases

Fig. 6 Circulation case: The periods of $\sigma - \sigma_0 = \frac{1}{2}$ calculated in years, as functions of the distance (in kilometers) from the separatrix, calculated for $r = 0$ and $R = \rho$, obtained analytically (line) by Eq. 20 and by a numerical integration of the pendulum differential equations (dots)



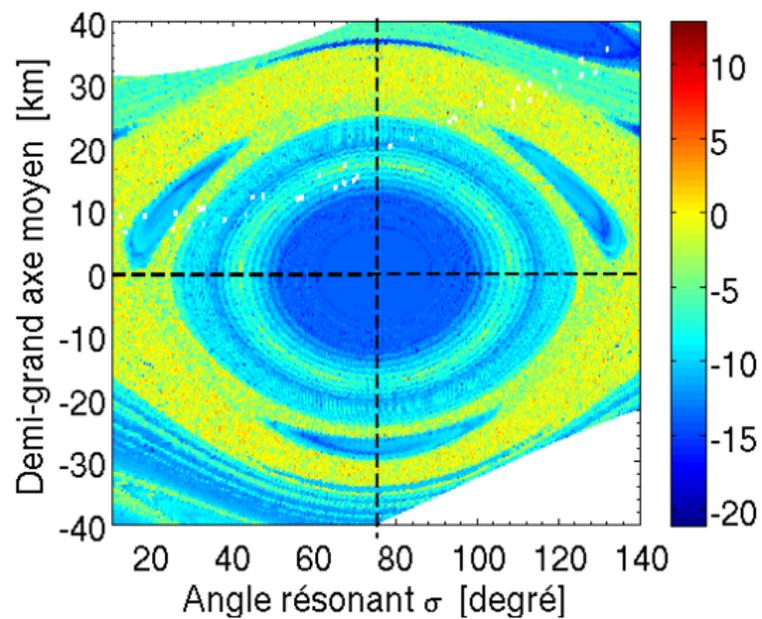
Libration cases

Fig. 4 Libration case: The period T (in years) calculated by a numerical integration of the pendulum differential equations (*dots*) and through the analytical expressions (*lines*), as functions of ϵ in the libration zone; ϵ is an angle measured from the separatrix



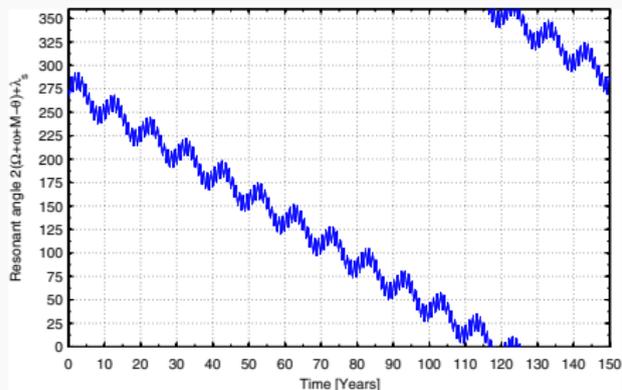
Three values of Φ : 60.26° , 180.26° , and 300.26° , , measured from the vertical positive axis on which $\Phi = 0^\circ = r$. .

Initial map



Libration cases

Fig. 8 Evolution of the resonant angle $2(l - \theta) + \lambda_S$. The used model is the numerical model of Fig. 2, involving a long supplementary period of 150 years. The initial conditions are the same of the Fig. 2 with $M = 199.8^\circ$



Regular case : without shadow

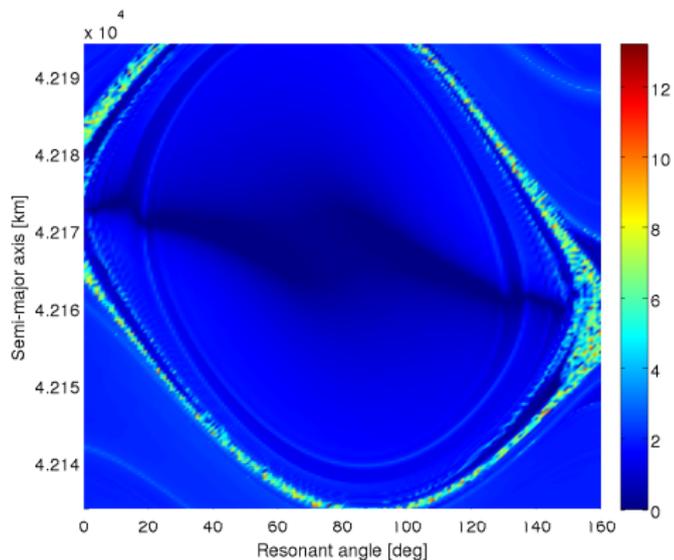


FIGURE 5.12 • Stability analysis of the two-dimensional plane (σ_{res}, a) represented using MEGNO values at 30 yr without Earth's shadows. A set of 160×160 uniformly distributed initial conditions has been integrated with S_4 with time steps equal to $0.05 \text{ day}/2\pi$. Other initial conditions are fixed to $e = 0.002$, $i = 0.004 \text{ rad}$ and $\Omega = \omega = 0 \text{ rad}$. The value of the initial sidereal time θ is determined by the initial time epoch at 25 January 1991. The model includes the central body attraction, the geopotential up to degree and order 2, luni-solar perturbations and SRP with the AMR equal to $5 \text{ m}^2/\text{kg}$. Same representation as in Valk et al. (2009)

Regular case : different times

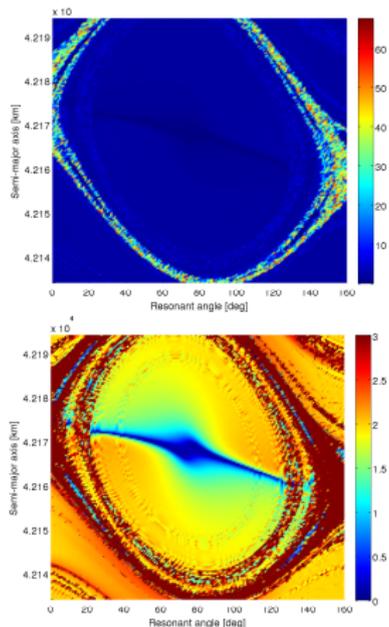


FIGURE 5.13 • Stability analysis of the two-dimensional plane (σ_x, a) represented using real (top) and cut off (bottom) MEGNO values at 300 yr without Earth's shadow. A set of 160×160 uniformly distributed initial conditions has been integrated with S_4 with time steps equal to $0.05 \text{ day}/2\pi$. Other initial conditions are fixed to $e = 0.002$, $i = 0.004 \text{ rad}$ and $\Omega = \omega = 0 \text{ rad}$. The value of the initial sidereal time θ is determined by the initial time epoch at 25 January 1991. The model includes the central body attraction, the geopotential up to degree and order 2, luni-solar perturbations and SRP with the AMR equal to $5 \text{ m}^2/\text{kg}$.

With and without chaos

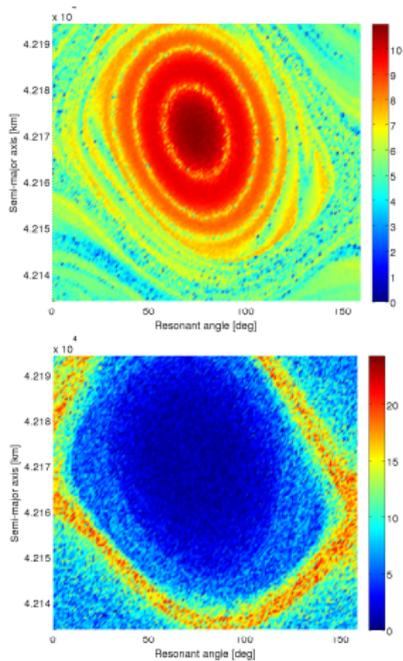
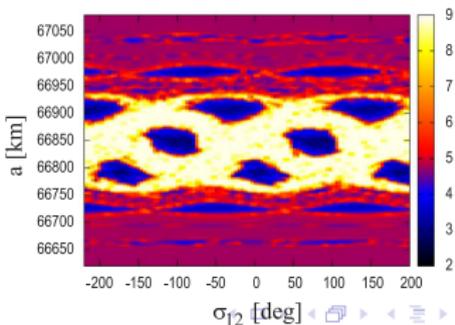
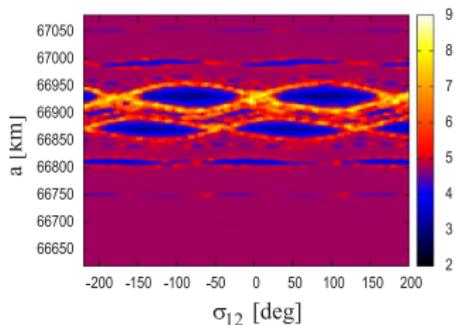
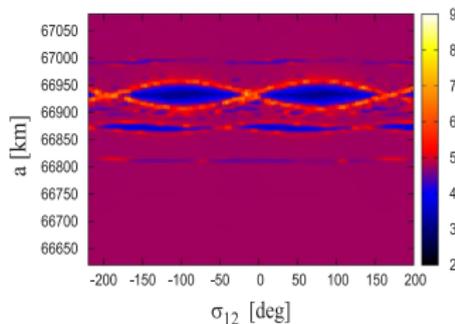
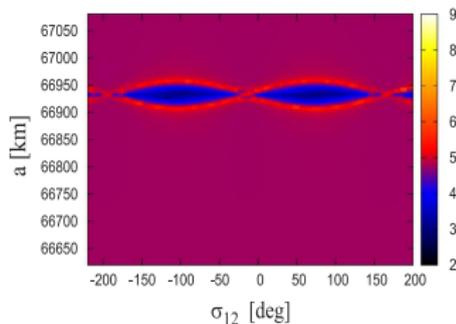


FIGURE 5.15 • Stability analysis of the two-dimensional plane (σ_{res}, a) represented using MEGNO values at 30 yr (GSI) with Earth's shadows. Other initial conditions and integrator are chosen as in Fig. 5.12 with time steps equal to $0.01 \text{ day}/2\pi$. The model includes the central body attraction, the geopotential up to degree and order 2, luni-solar perturbations and SRP with the AMR equal to $5 \text{ m}^2/\text{kg}$ with cylindrical (top) and conical (bottom) Earth's shadows.

Other chaos indicators and research

- FLI : Fast Lyapounov Indicator (Froeschlé, Lega, Guzzo, etc)
- intensively used by Celletti and collaborators

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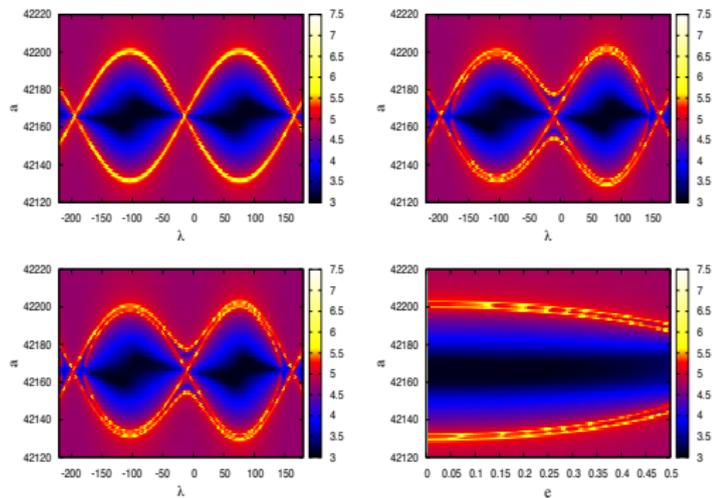


FIGURE 3. FLI (using Hamilton's equations) for the GEO 1:1 resonance for $e = 0.005$, $i = 0^\circ$, $\omega = 0^\circ$, $\Omega = 0^\circ$ under the effects of the J_2 and J_{22} terms (top left); all harmonics up to degree and order $n = m = 3$ (top right); all harmonics up to $n = m = 4$ (bottom left). The bottom right panel yields the FLI for $i = 0^\circ$, $\lambda = 75.07^\circ$ in the (e, a) plane under the effects of all harmonics up to $n = m = 4$.

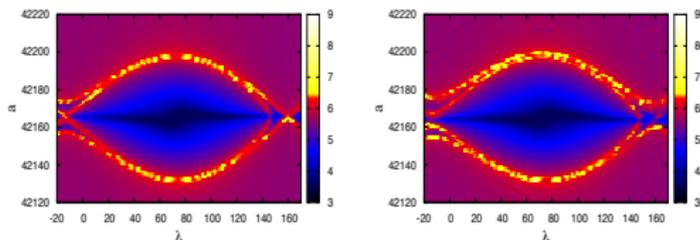


FIGURE 5. FLI (using Cartesian equations) for the GEO 1:1 resonance for $e = 0.005$, $i = 30^\circ$, $\omega = 0$, $\Omega = 0$, under all harmonics up to degree and order three (left panel), all harmonics up to degree and order three + Moon + Sun+ SRP with $A/m = 0.1$ (right panel).

Terms of the geopotential : 2:1

$$t_1 = \frac{\mu_E R_E^2 J_{22}}{a^3} \left\{ \frac{3}{4} (1 + \cos i)^2 \left(-\frac{e}{2} \right) \cos(\sigma + \omega - 2\lambda_{22}) \right\}$$

$$t_2 = \frac{\mu_E R_E^2 J_{22}}{a^3} \left\{ \frac{3}{2} \sin^2 i \left(\frac{3}{2} e \right) \cos(\sigma - \omega - 2\lambda_{22}) \right\}$$

$$t_3 = \frac{\mu_E R_E^3 J_{32}}{a^4} \left\{ \frac{15}{8} \sin i (1 - 2 \cos i - 3 \cos^2 i) (1 + 2e^2) \sin(\sigma - 2\lambda_{32}) \right\}$$

where $\sigma = 2\lambda$ with λ as in (3.14).

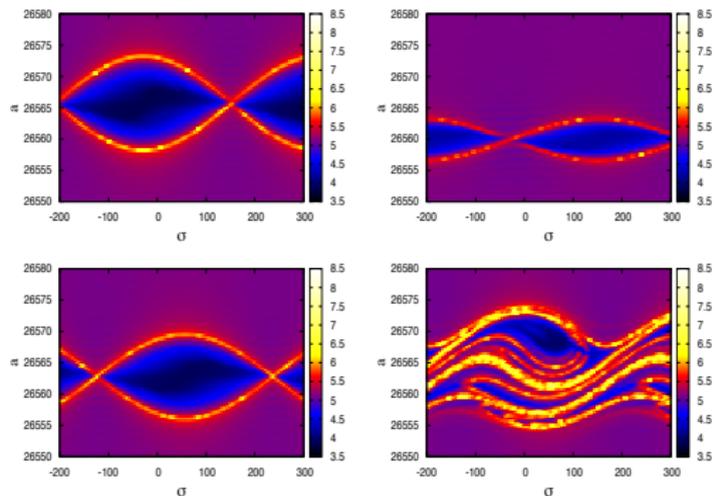


FIGURE 7. FLI for the toy-model (5.1), for $e = 0.1$, $i = 20^\circ$, $\omega = 0$, $\Omega = 0$, under various effects: $J_2 + t_1$ (top left); $J_2 + t_2$ (top right); $J_2 + t_3$ (bottom left); $J_2 + t_1 + t_2 + t_3$ (bottom right).

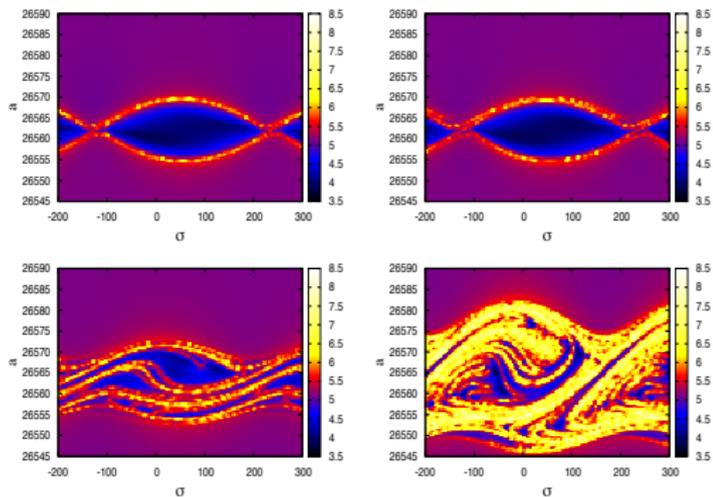


FIGURE 9. FLI (using Hamilton's equations) for the MEO 2:1 resonance, under the effects of all harmonics up to degree and order $n = m = 4$, for $i = 30^\circ$, $\omega = 0$, $\Omega = 0$: $e = 0.005$ (top left); $e = 0.01$ (top right); $e = 0.1$ (bottom left); $e = 0.5$ (bottom right).

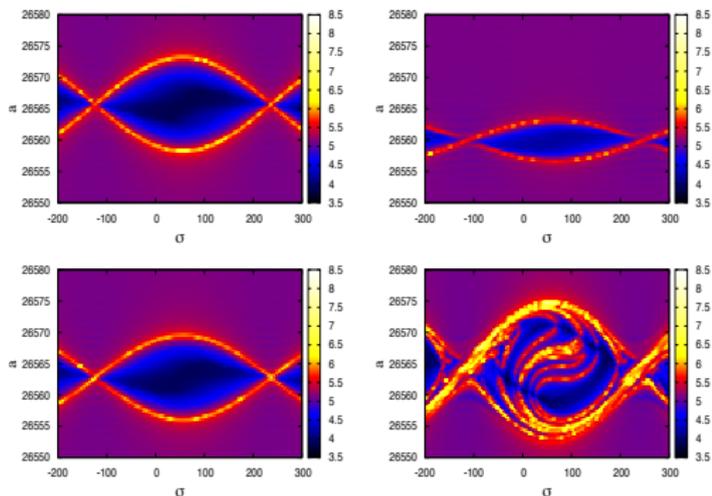


FIGURE 11. FLI for the toy-model (5.1), for $e = 0.1$, $i = 20^\circ$, $\omega = -85^\circ$, $\Omega = 0$, under various effects: $J_2 + t_1$ (top left); $J_2 + t_2$ (top right); $J_2 + t_3$ (bottom left); $J_2 + t_1 + t_2 + t_3$ (bottom right).

Lunisolar resonances

- Gravitational resonances : between the rotation of the Earth and the period of space debris
- Not to be confused with spin-orbit resonances (rotation and orbit of the same body)
- Secondary resonances : inside a resonance with another angle (between σ and λ_{\odot})
- Lunisolar resonances : secular resonances between ω and Ω of space debris and nodes and perigee of the Moon and the Sun
- Breiter, *Lunisolar resonances revisited*, CM&DA, 2001

The dynamical structure of the MEO region: long-term stability, chaos, and transport

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For the Moon : $\dot{\Psi}_{2-2p,m,\pm s} = (2 - 2p)\dot{\omega} + m\dot{\Omega} \pm \dot{\Omega}_M \simeq 0$

and

For the Sun : $\dot{\Psi}_{2-2p,m} = (2 - 2p)\dot{\omega} + m\dot{\Omega} \simeq 0$

$$\dot{\omega} = \frac{3}{4} J_2 n \left(\frac{R}{a} \right)^2 \frac{5 \cos^2 i - 1}{(1 - e^2)^2},$$

$$\dot{\Omega} = -\frac{3}{2} J_2 n \left(\frac{R}{a} \right)^2 \frac{\cos i}{(1 - e^2)^2},$$

Fig. 1 The location of resonance centers of the form $\dot{\psi}_{2-2p,m,\pm s} = (2-2p)\dot{\omega} + m\dot{\Omega} \pm s\dot{\Omega}_M = 0$, where only the effects of the J_2 perturbation on ω and Ω have been considered (adapted from [Rosengren et al. 2015](#)). These resonances form the dynamical backbone of the phase space, organizing and controlling the long-term orbital motion of MEO satellites

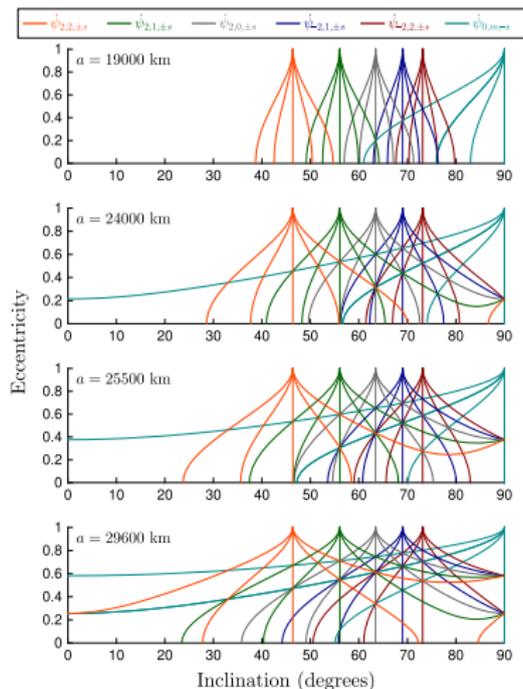
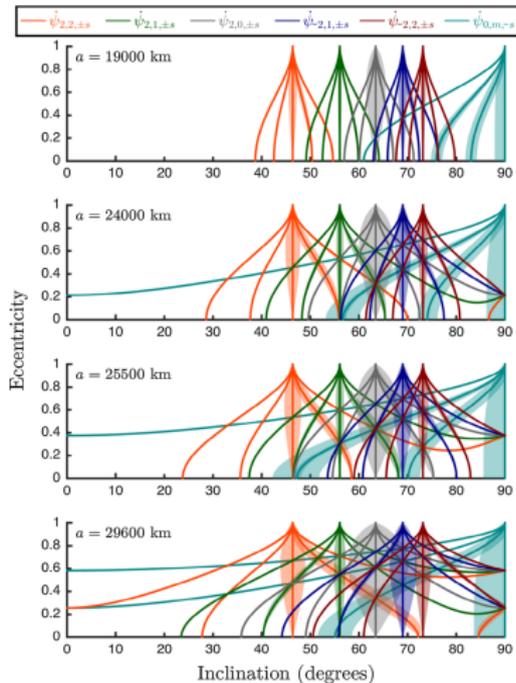


Fig. 2 Lunisolar resonance centers (solid lines) and widths (transparent shapes) for increasing values of the satellite's semi-major axis. This plot shows the regions of overlap between distinct resonant harmonics



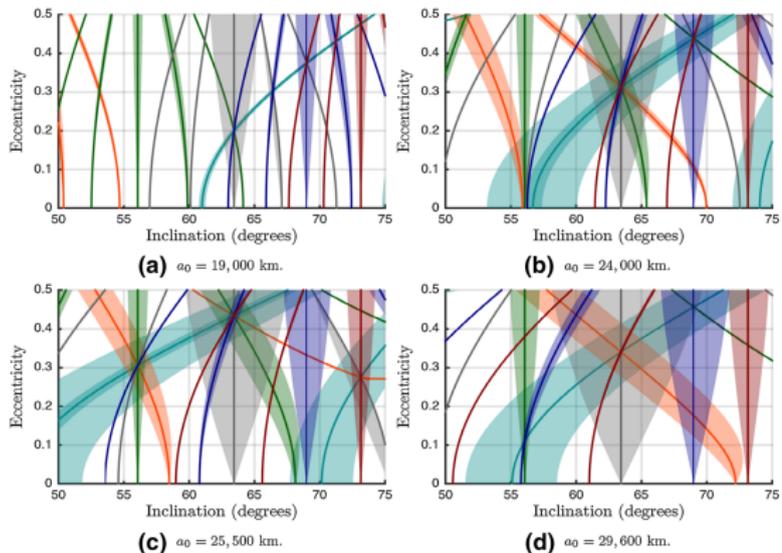


Fig. 3 Zoomed-in portion of Fig. 2, showing where we concentrate our numerical calculations

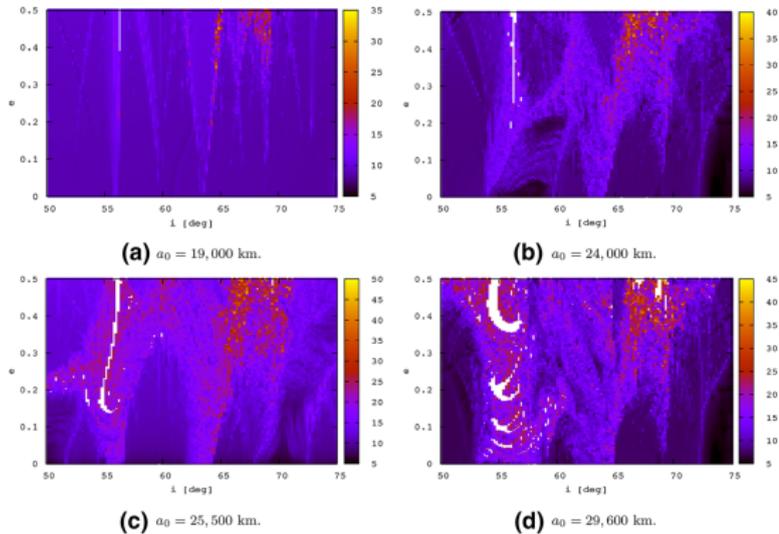


Fig. 4 FLI stability maps for dynamical model 1

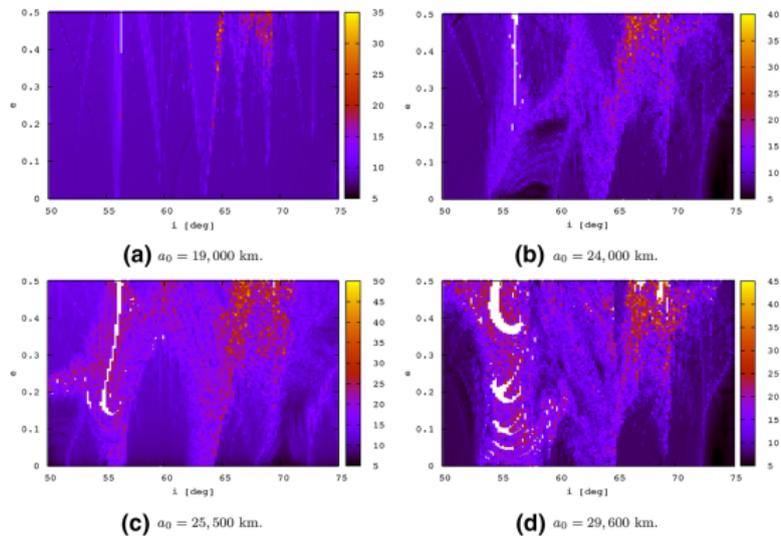


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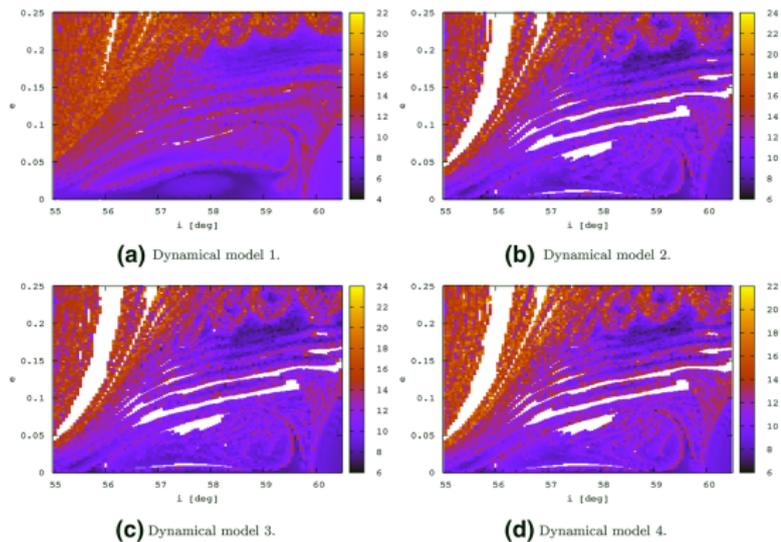


Fig. 8 Zoomed-in portion for $a_0 = 24,000$ km near the $2\dot{\omega} + \dot{\Omega}$ inclination-dependent-only resonance under the various dynamical models. Initial conditions have been propagated from the initial epoch 2 March 1969 until the final date set to 15 November 2598. The precise detection of the stable manifolds allows to predict the set of re-entry orbits. These maps also further corroborate model 2 as the basic physical model

- Structures on the last plots corresponding to $\sigma_{sec} = 2\omega + \Omega$.
- Secondary resonances : no answer yet ..
- Analogy with other chaos représentations in other fields
- Resonance between σ_{sec} and another angle
- Collaboration between M. Murawiecka and J. Daquin

Paper : *Diffusive chaos in navigation satellites orbits* Daquin, Rosengren]and Tsiganis

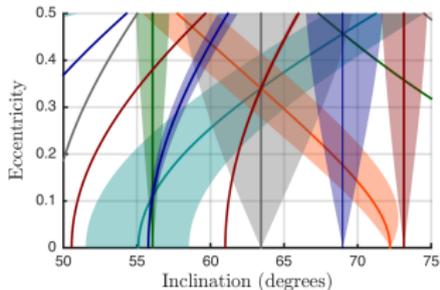


FIGURE 2. Lunisolar resonance centers C_n (solid lines) and widths W_n^\pm (transparent shapes) for $a_* = 29,600\text{km}$, *i.e.*, Galileo's nominal semi-major axis. This plot shows the overlap between the first resonant harmonics ($|n_i| \leq 2, i = 1, \dots, 3$). Galileo satellites are located near $i = 56^\circ$.

- Celletti and Gales *A study of the lunisolar secular resonance* $2\dot{\Omega} + \dot{\omega} = 0$, Front. Astron. Space Sci., 2016.
- Celletti, Efthymiopoulos, Gachet, Gales and Pucacco *Dynamical models and the onset of chaos in space debris*, JNLM, 2017

Definition 5. A solar semi-secular resonance occurs whenever

$$(l - 2p)\dot{\omega} + m\dot{\Omega} - (l - 2h + j)\dot{M}_S = 0,$$

$$l \in \mathbb{Z}_+, m, p, h = 0, 1, 2, \dots, l, j \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

We have a lunar semi-secular resonance whenever

$$(l - 2p)\dot{\omega} + m\dot{\Omega} \pm [(l - 2q)\dot{\omega}_M + (l - 2q + r)\dot{M}_M + s\dot{\Omega}_M] = 0,$$

$$l \in \mathbb{Z}_+, m, p, q, s = 0, 1, 2, \dots, l, r \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

- LEO region : complete dynamics up to reentry
- Atmospheric drag or cleaner of space junk
- Different models and approaches
- Petit and Lemaitre ASR
- Included in NIMASTEP

Density models

- JB2008 : Jacchia-Bowman 2008, semi-analytical model, based on Jacchia-71 - Reference of Committee on Space Research (COSPAR)
- DTM2013 : Drag Temperature Model, semi-analytical model , including data of the satellites Stella, Starlette, OGO-6, DE-2, AE-C, AE-E, CHAMP, GRACE and GOCE for altitudes between 200 and 900 km,
- TD88 : empirical model, filled on the observation data, extended up to 1200 kms
- Other versions of Jacchia, MSIS, NRLMSISE00, GRAM, MET, GOST, TIEGCM
- Density functions depend on solar flux, geomatic activity, local time, length of the day, latitude.

- Comparison of the models with a real orbit
- TLE of 2 satellites : Stella and Starlette
- NIMASTEP - Adam-Bashforth-Moulton order 10
- More than 20 years

CPU time for Stella

· Temps de calcul des orbites de Stella avec différents modèles d'atmosphère.

	JB2008	DTM2013	TD88
Time	58'32"	15'19"	6'31"

Starlette

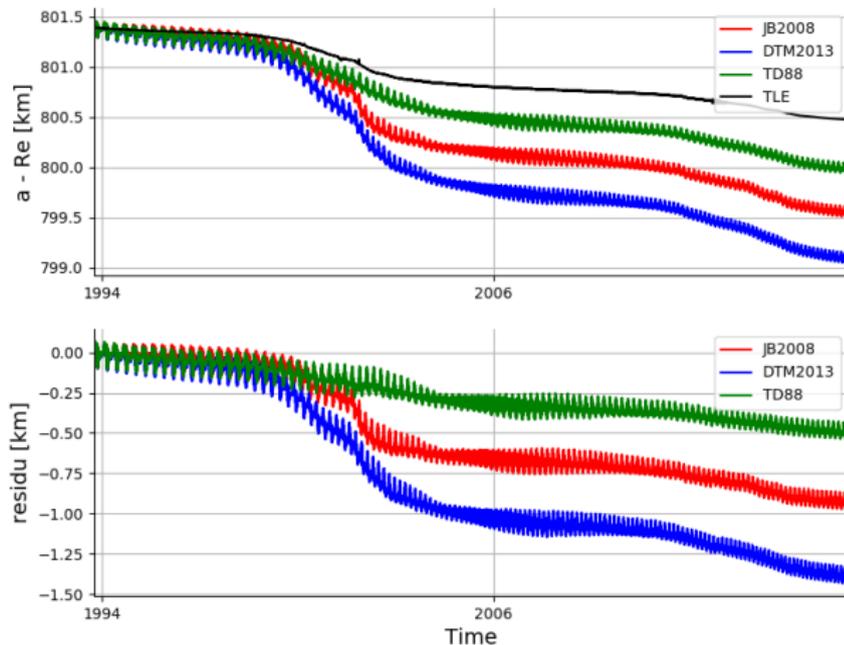


FIGURE 6.5 – Evolution du demi-grand axe du satellite Starlette calculé avec les modèles JB2008, DTM2013, et TD88, et comparé aux pseudo-observations TLE.

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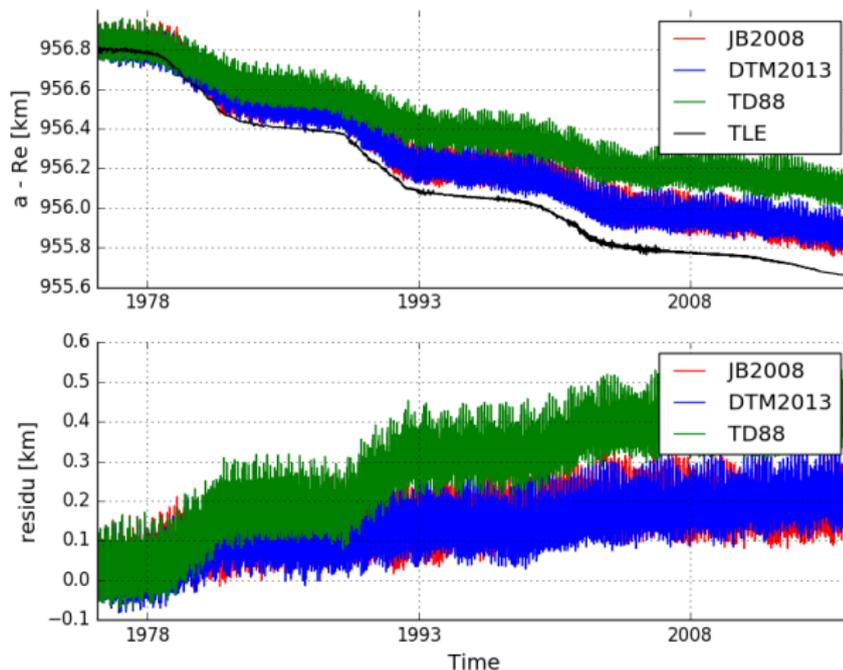


FIGURE 6.6 – Evolution du demi-grand axe du satellite Stella calculé avec les modèles JB2008, DTM2013, et TD88, et comparé aux pseudo-observations TLE.

Chinese satellite explosion

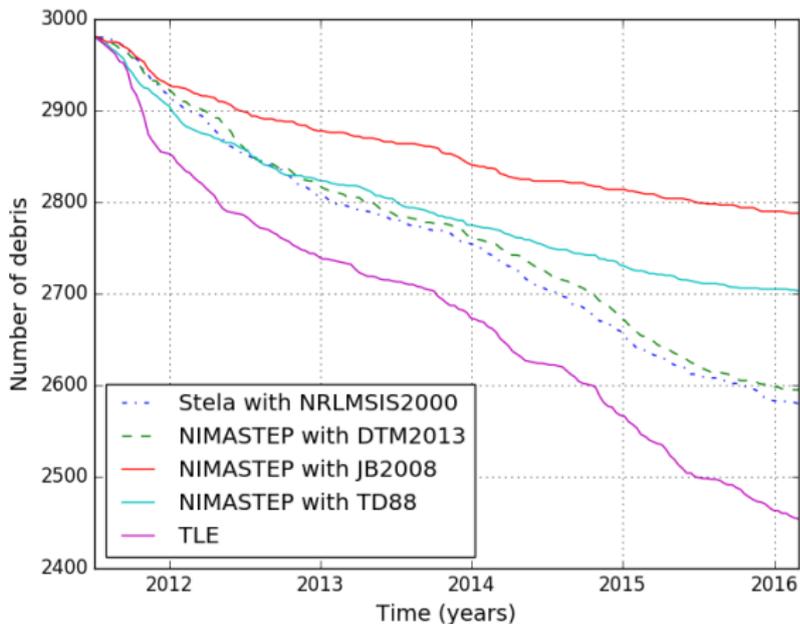


FIGURE 8.4 – Evolution du nuage de débris spatiaux créés par la fragmentation du satellite Fengyun 1C et catalogués par l'USSTRATCOM à la date du premier juin 2011.

Collision Cosmos-Iridium

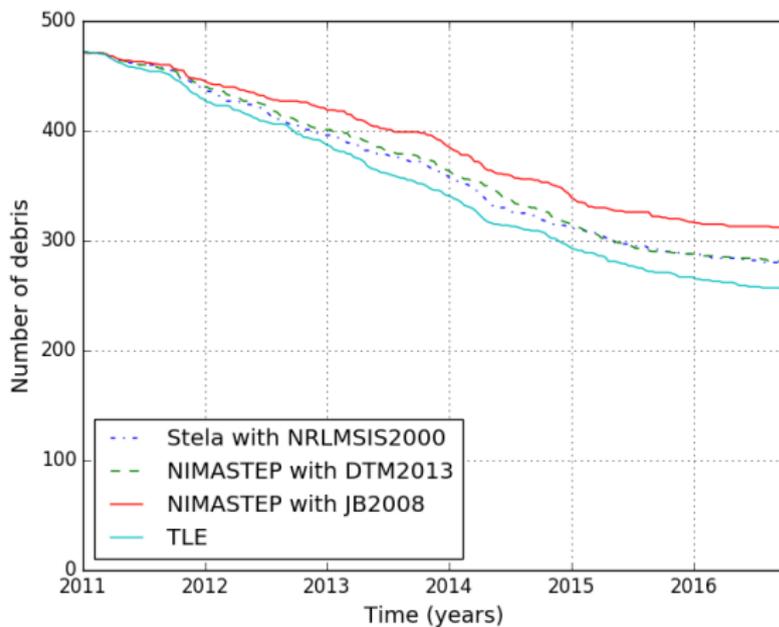


FIGURE 8.5 – Evolution du nuage de débris spatiaux créés par la fragmentation du satellite Iridium 33 et catalogués par l'**USSTRATCOM** à la date du premier juin 2011.

Yarkovsky-Schachs effect

- Classical formulations
- Thermal effect : differences of temperature of the satellite due to the Sun
- The Yarkovsky-Schachs effect : long-term semi-major axis variations only when the orbit crosses Earth shadow
- The solar flux arriving at the satellite surface is interrupted, the satellite surface cools down after entering the shadow, and heats up again after exiting from it.
- The recoil force does not average out one orbit, the problem becomes therefore position-dependent.
- Poster of M. Murawiecka

Order of magnitude

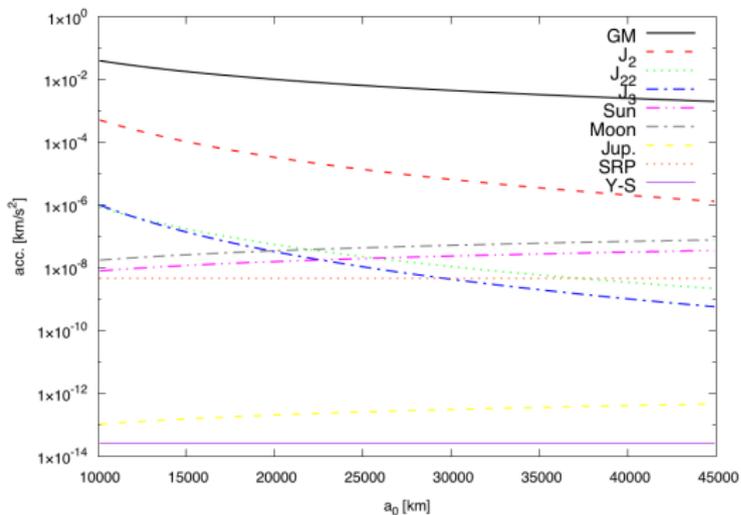


Figure 1: Order of magnitude of several major Earth satellite perturbations as a function of semi-major axis of the orbit.

Semi-major axis

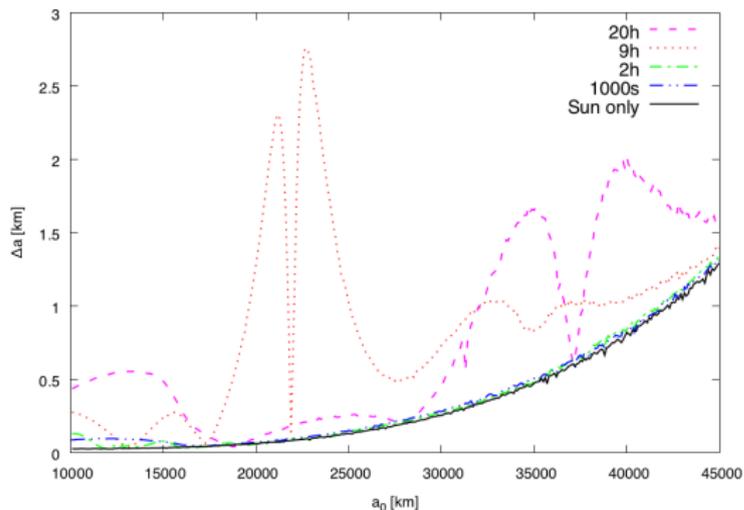


Figure 2: Comparison of amplitude of semi-major axis variations Δa depending on its initial value with various rotation periods of the debris. The initial values of remaining elements are: $e = 0.01$, $i = 0.01^\circ$, $\Omega = \omega = M = 0.0^\circ$. Rotation periods: magenta – 20h, red – 9h, green – 2h, blue – 1000s. The black curve marks the orbits under the influence of the Sun alone. The simulation time is 400y.

Rotation periods

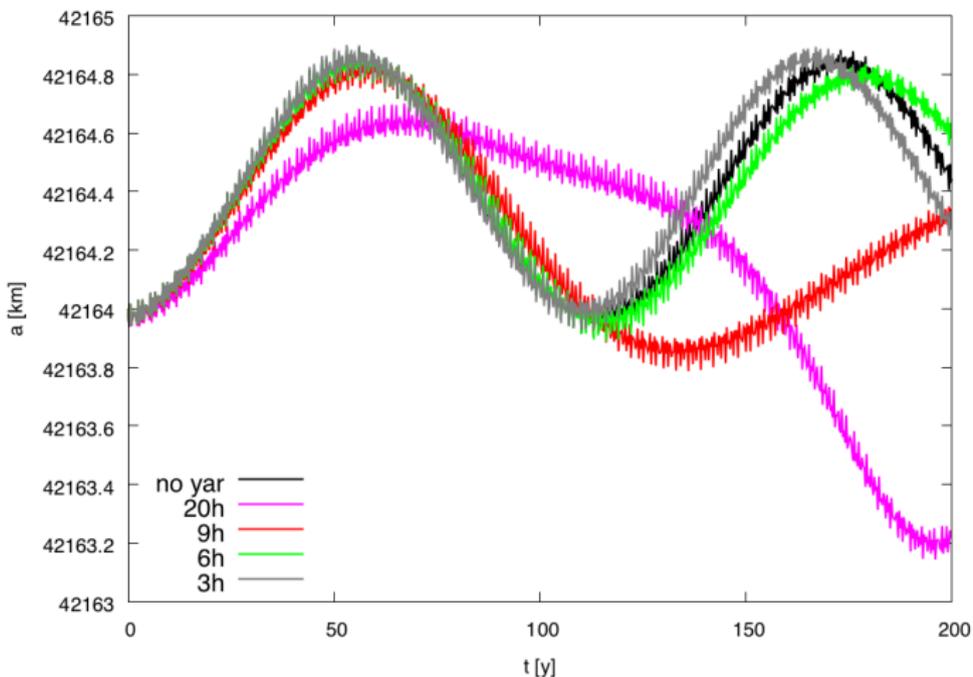


Figure 3: Time evolution of the orbits of a space debris affected by Sun gravity (black curve) or Sun gravity and the Yarkovsky-Schubert effect, with various rotation periods.

Eccentricity

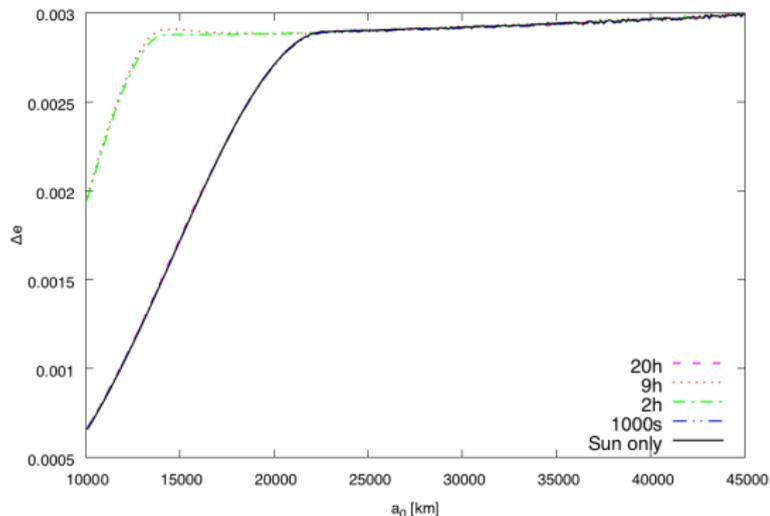


Figure 6: Variations in eccentricity as a function of the initial value of the semi-major axis with various rotation periods of the debris. All the initial values of the orbital elements are the same as in Fig. 2. Rotation periods: magenta – 20h, red – 9h, green – 2h, blue – 1000s. The black curve representing Sun-induced variations coincides with the violet one. The integration time is 200 y.

Synthetic population

- naXys Institute : Namur Complex systems
- research group : mobility, traffic : projects since 40 years
- from Dijkstra algorithm of shortest paths in a graph to psychological models about human behaviour
- Necessity of data about families, schools, supermarkets, employed or not, etc
- Some data, locally obtained and big protection of private life
- Last ten years : building of a synthetic population of Belgians, 10 millions of people, organised in families, with work, schools, habits, completely virtual but as close as possible to the reality (the available local data)
- Expertise in specific statistical methods adapted to this problem

- 20 000 TLE corresponding to 10 cm or more objects
- Objects of 1 cm ?
- To create a synthetic population with virtual objects, with similar characteristics to the real ones
- Objective : simulation of an event (explosion, collision) and predictions about the debris cloud
- Collaboration of two Phd of different teams : A. Petit and M. Dumont
- First results

- Method : Iterative Proportional Fitting (IPF) : iterative process for weighting data describing a population up to the convergence to a stable state
- Matrix formulation : discretization of the data
($a, e, i, \omega, \Omega, M, A/M$)
- First promising results

Initial population and synthetic population

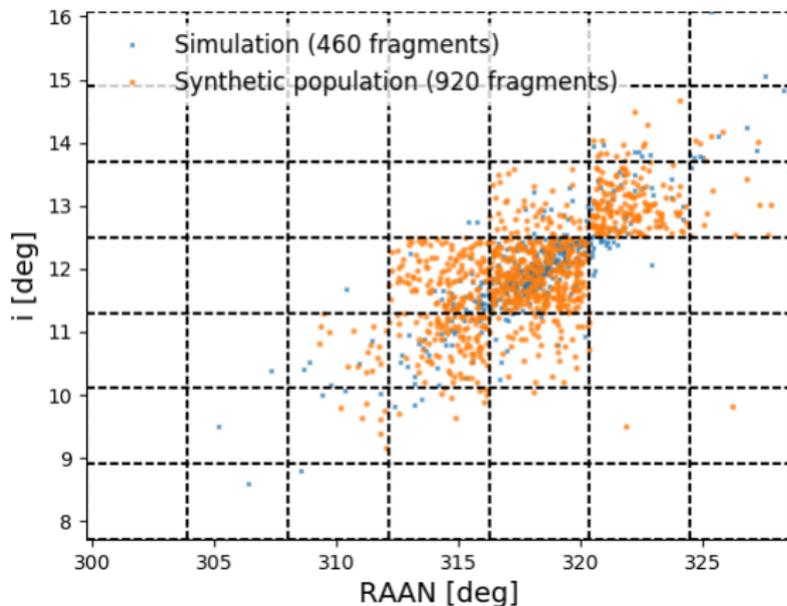


FIGURE 10.3 – Représentation de la population simulée (en bleu) et de la population synthétique (en orange).

Convergence of the method

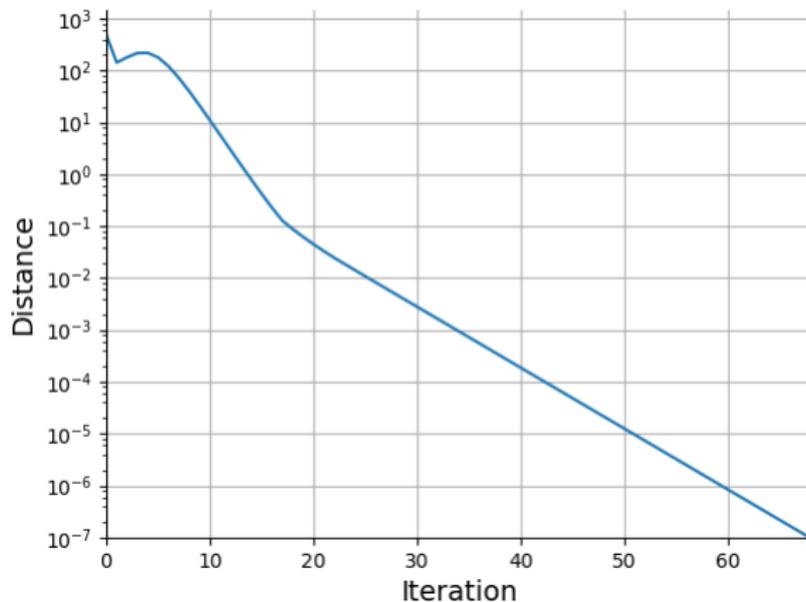


FIGURE 10.4 – Evolution de la distance entre deux table de contingence à chaque itération.

Fragmentation of satellite Ekran 2

Initial population + diminution ejection velocity (factor 10)

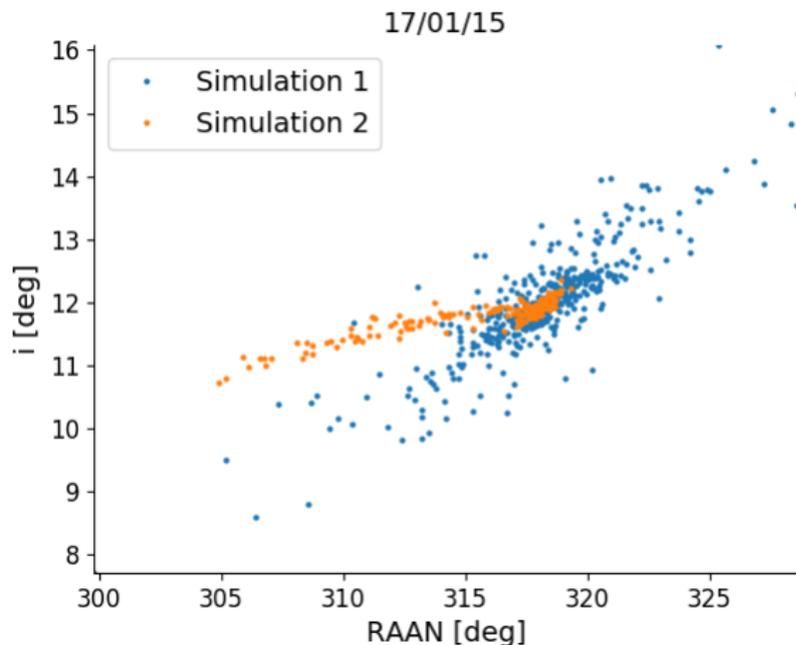


FIGURE 10.5 – Comparaison entre la première simulation avec les incréments de vitesse nominaux et seconde simulation avec les incréments de vitesse divisé par un facteur 10.

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Difference between the two populations

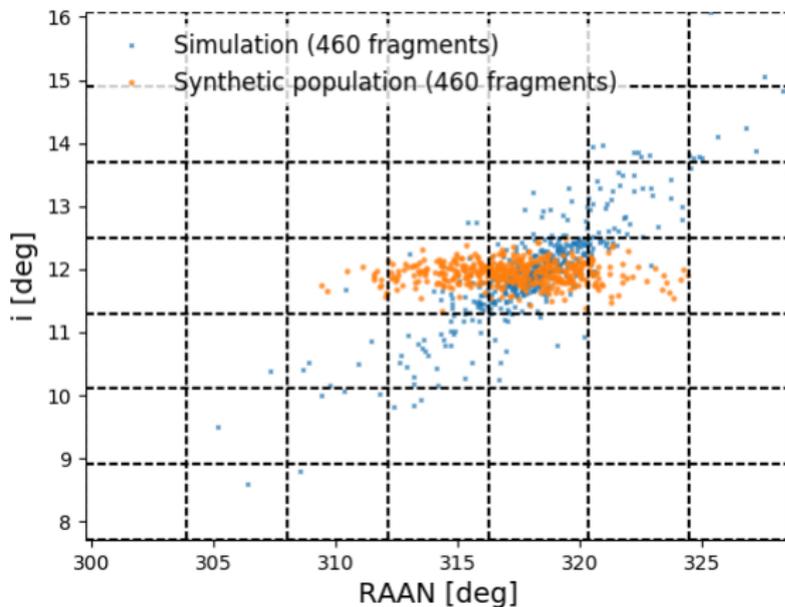


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