# Multiscale computation of oscillatory ODEs with more than two separated time scales

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# Dahlquist's alarm clock

- Mechanical alarm clock on a hard surface
- Fast vibrations lead "slow" drift path
- Drift seems to be deterministic

- Fast vibrations too costly to compute for the time scale of interest.
   Conventional stiff methods damps out oscillations.
- Is it possible to compute the drift path without resolving the fast vibrations for all time?

#### Fermi-Pasta-Ulam Problem





Fast oscillations:

- costly computation
- accumulation of error

 $\epsilon = 10^{-4}, H = 0.02$ 

# **Relaxation oscillators**

[Dahlquist et al]

$$\dot{x}_1 = -1 - x_1 + 8y_1^3$$
  
$$\dot{y}_1 = \frac{1}{\epsilon}(-x_1 + y_1 - y_1^3)$$

- Solutions quickly approach the periodic limit cycle.
- Oscillations induced by stiffness



# Synchronization

$$\dot{x}_1 = -1 - x_1 + 8y_1^3 + \epsilon \lambda x_2$$
  
$$\dot{y}_1 = \frac{1}{\epsilon} (-x_1 + y_1 - y_1^3)$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = (\mu\omega_0 + \epsilon\omega_1)y_2$$
  
$$\dot{y}_2 = -(\mu\omega_0 + \epsilon\omega_1)x_2$$



$$\epsilon = 10^{-4}, H = 2500, T = \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\epsilon})$$

#### Systems in near resonance

$$\frac{d}{dt}z_1 = i\frac{1}{\epsilon}z_1 + f_1(z_1, z_2), \qquad \lambda = 1 + \delta, \quad |\delta| \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q} \ll 1$$
$$\frac{d}{dt}z_2 = i\frac{\lambda}{\epsilon}z_2 + f_2(z_1, z_2).$$

- trajectories are ergodic on invariant tori, but in which time scale?
- $\delta = \epsilon^p, p > 1$  : in O(1) time, problem effectively in resonance. Effect takes place at a longer time scale.
- $\delta = \epsilon^{1/q}, q > 1$ : deal with an intermediate time scale

$$\frac{d}{dt}z_2 = i\frac{1}{\epsilon}z_2 + \frac{\delta}{\epsilon}z_2 + f_2(z_1, z_2).$$

# Effective properties in longer time scale

- Diffusion (noise, chaotic fast scales)
- Dispersion (wave equation): Engquist, Holst, Runborg
- Not all systems "thermalize":

FPU:

- Energy among springs do not equilibrate
- Interesting phenomena appear in very long time scale

# Objectives

Longtime slow phenomena "driven" by fast oscillations:

$$v' = h(v, w, z, t)$$
$$w' = \frac{1}{\epsilon}g(w, v, z, t)$$
$$z' = \frac{1}{\epsilon^2}f_{\epsilon}(z, v, w, t)$$

- Compute  $v \ \& \ w$  at a cost sublinear to  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{-1})$
- A method that applies to a wide class of systems.

# Our approach

- Characterize the slow behavior by slow variables (effective behavior)
- Numerically sample how they are driven by the fast oscillations

#### (Temporarily back to the two-scale setting.)

• Give up full resolution of oscillations by averaging:

$$\xi' = f(\xi, \frac{t}{\epsilon}) \longrightarrow \bar{\xi}' = \bar{f}(\bar{\xi})$$

• Evolve the effective behavior of the system at a large time scale.  $\xi = \overline{\xi} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$ 

## A "stellar" problem

An example from [Kevorkian,Cole]

$$\begin{cases} r_1'' + a^2 r_1 &= \epsilon r_2^2 \\ r_2'' + b^2 r_2 &= 2\epsilon r_1 r_2 \end{cases}$$

 $X = [x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]^T = [r_1, r_1'/a, r_2, r_2'/b]^T, t = \epsilon \tilde{t}$ 

$$X' = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & 0 & 0 \\ -a & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & -b & 0 \end{pmatrix} X + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ x_3^2/a \\ 0 \\ 2x_1x_3/b \end{pmatrix}, X_0(0,\epsilon) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\uparrow$$
Nonlinear interactions.
Nontrivial O(1) effects

## Slow variables

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Slow variables obtained by a numerical algorithm [Ariel-Engquist-T]

Energy of the oscillators Relative phase of the two oscillators.

 $\begin{aligned} \xi_1 &= x_1^2 + x_2^2 \\ \xi_2 &= x_3^2 + x_4^2 \\ \xi_3 &= b^2 x_1 x_3^2 + x_2 x_3 x_4 - x_1 x_4^2 \end{aligned}$ 

(These are resonant modes when a=2b)

# Evolutions of the slow variables (Stellar problem)





- Compute with consistent initial data  $\xi \iff x_{\epsilon}$
- Closure problem:  $\frac{d\xi}{dt} = F(\xi)$
- Assume widely separated time scales.
- Efficiency lies in how long (3) is run.

## Slow variables

Definition:

 $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}_0 \mapsto \alpha(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}$   $\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{x} = f_{\epsilon}(\mathbf{x})$  highly oscillatory.

$$\left|\frac{d}{dt}\alpha(\mathbf{x})\right| \le C_0, \quad 0 \le t \le T, \quad 0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0.$$



# Observations

 $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}\xi_2$ 

 $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}\xi_1$ 

In d dimensions:

- At most d 1 slow directions/coordinates
- At most d 1 slow variables are needed
- Maximal slow chart:  $(\xi_1, \cdots, \xi_{d-1}, \phi)$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\xi_j = \mathcal{O}(1) \qquad \frac{d}{dt}\phi = \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\epsilon})$$

• If A(x) is slow and non-constant,

$$A = A(\xi_1, \cdots, \xi_{d-1})$$

• Slow variables lie in the null space of L0

# Averaging

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}_{\epsilon}}{dt} = f_{\epsilon}(\mathbf{x}_{\epsilon}, t) \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \dot{\zeta} = \bar{F}(\zeta) = \int_{S^{1}} F(\zeta, \sigma) d\sigma \quad \text{(closure)}$$
$$\implies |\xi(t) - \zeta(t)| \le C\epsilon$$

 $\zeta$  captures the effective behavior of  $\mathbf{X}_{\epsilon}$  !

More general averaging theorems by Bogoliubov, Sanders, Verhulst, etc.

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## Averaging and approximations

Averaging over a circle  $\sim$  averaging with a suitable kernel.

$$\bar{F}(\zeta(t)) = \int_{S^1} F(\zeta, \sigma) d\sigma \simeq \tilde{K}_{\eta} * \zeta(t)$$

Diffeomorphism  $\Phi: U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto (\xi, \phi) \subset \mathbb{R}^{n-r} \times \mathbb{R}^r$ such that  $\xi(x)$  are slow and  $\phi$  fast.

$$\left|\frac{d}{dt}\alpha(x)\right| \le C_0 \implies \alpha(\mathbf{x}) = \tilde{\alpha}(\xi,\phi) = \tilde{\alpha}(\xi) \text{(closure)}$$

# HMM involving three scales





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Complete set of slow variables: (d-2) or (d-1)?

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$$\begin{aligned} |\frac{d}{dt}\Sigma(x(t))| &= \begin{matrix} \mathcal{O}(1) : & \Sigma(\xi), & |\frac{d}{dt}\Sigma(\xi(t))| \leq C_0 \\ & & \\ \mathcal{O}(1) & & \\ \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) : & \xi(x(t)), & |\frac{d}{dt}\xi(x(t))| \leq C_0 \epsilon^{-1} \\ & & \\ & & \\ \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2) : & x(t), & \frac{d}{dt}x(t) = \epsilon^{-2}f(x,t) \end{aligned}$$

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(d-l) ==> new type of slow variables

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Computation in the intermediate scale necessary for efficiency of averaging:  $\Sigma(x(t)) = \Sigma(t, t/\epsilon, t/\epsilon^2)$ 

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$$\frac{\dot{\zeta} = \bar{F}(\zeta) = \int_{\mathbb{T}^{2}} F(\zeta, \sigma) d\sigma \quad (\mathbf{closure})$$

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$$\Rightarrow |\xi(t) - \zeta(t)| \leq C\epsilon$$
Development of efficient averaging algorithms.

# A simple example



$$I = x_1^2 + x_2^2$$
$$\frac{d}{dt}I = 2\epsilon^{-1}x_1 + 2I \qquad I(t) = A^2e^{2t} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

#### New type of slow variables!

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### Iterated averaging

$$\Sigma' = \frac{1}{\epsilon} f(\Sigma, \xi, \frac{t}{\epsilon^2}) + g(\Sigma, \xi, \frac{t}{\epsilon^2})$$

f,g I-periodic in the last variable.

$$X' = \bar{\bar{F}}(x) := \int \bar{F}(x, y) d\mu^x \qquad \sup_{0 \le t \le T} |\Sigma(t) - X(t)| \le C\epsilon$$
$$X(0) = \Sigma(0)$$

$$\bar{F}(x,y) = \bar{g}(x,y) + \bar{\gamma}(x,y) \qquad \quad \bar{g}(x,y) = \int_0^1 g(x,y,s) ds$$
 corrector depending on

$$h(x, y, t) = \int_0^t f(x, y, \epsilon^{-1}s) ds - t\bar{f}(x, y)$$



$$I_1 = x_1^2 + y_1^2$$
  

$$I_2 = x_2^2 + y_2^2$$
  

$$\theta = x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2.$$



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Plus signs are results computed by a 2-tier HMM with RK4 on all scales.

# Long time scale

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{3} p_i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{3} \left[ \frac{1}{2} (q_{i+1} - q_i)^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{3} (q_{i+1} - q_i)^3 \right] \qquad q_0 = q_3, \ q_4 = q_1$$
  
Rescaling time,  $s = \epsilon^2 t$ , and denoting  $[\cdot]' = (d/ds)$ 



"new" type of slow variables:

$$I_{1}' = \frac{18}{\epsilon} p_{2}q_{2}(2q_{3} + q_{2})$$

$$I_{2}' = -\frac{18}{\epsilon} p_{3}q_{3}(2q_{3} + q_{2})$$

$$\theta' = \frac{3}{\epsilon} (p_{2}q_{2} - p_{3}q_{3})(2q_{3} + q_{2})$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{3} p_i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{3} \left[ \frac{1}{2} (q_{i+1} - q_i)^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{3} (q_{i+1} - q_i)^3 \right]$$



 $\epsilon = 10^{-4}, H = 10$ 

With similar errors, HMM is many digits faster than Verlet.

# Averaging over a torus

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Consider a pair of harmonic oscillators for  $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, v_1, x_2, v_2, x_3, v_3]^T$ ,

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{F}_{\epsilon}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ -x_1 \\ \lambda_1 v_2 \\ -\lambda_1 x_2 \\ \lambda_2 v_3 \\ -\lambda_2 x_3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(8)

where  $\lambda_1 = 1 + \delta\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 1 + \delta\sqrt{3}$  and  $\delta = \epsilon^{\frac{1}{q}}$  with  $q = 2, 3, \cdots$ .

•  $\mathbb{T}^3$  is defined by three functions  $\xi_i : \mathbb{R}^6 \to \mathbb{R}^1$ , i = 1, 2, 3;

$$\xi_1 = x_1^2 + v_1^2, \ \xi_2 = x_2^2 + v_2^2, \ \xi_3 = x_3^2 + v_3^2.$$
 (9)

• Need to find  $\tau : \mathbb{R}^6 \to \mathbb{R}^6$  and  $\sigma : \mathbb{R}^6 \to \mathbb{R}^6$  $\to \{\mathbf{F}, \tau, \sigma, \nabla \xi_1, \nabla \xi_2, \nabla \xi_3\}$  forms a set of orthogonal vector fields over  $\mathbb{T}^3_{\mathcal{T} \to \mathcal{T}}$ 

### Two orthogonal vector fields



**Figure:** plot of  $|\tau(t)-IC|$  and  $|\sigma(t)-IC|$ ; this show that two integral curves are almost periodic.

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Exact averaged force 
$$\mathbf{\bar{f}} = \frac{1}{\mu(\mathbb{T}^3)} \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \mathbf{f} d\mu = \mathbf{0}$$

$\eta$	our method	time	time	$\frac{1}{T}\int_0^T \mathbf{f}(\varphi_t \mathbf{x}) dt$	Т
$20\epsilon$	0.0131	29.71	0.731	0.0131	152
<b>30</b> <i>ϵ</i>	0.0026	43.51	9.75	0.0026	521.6
<b>40</b> <i>ϵ</i>	7.81e-04	57.56	46.01	7.80e-04	2550
<b>50</b> <i>ϵ</i>	2.14e-04	70.92	146.0	2.42e-04	8000
<b>60</b> <i>ϵ</i>	3.45e-05	85.62	29069	3.90e-05	50000

**Table:** comparison of approximated  $||\overline{\mathbf{f}}||_{L^{\infty}}$ , time=sec, H = 1,  $h = \frac{\epsilon}{5}$ 

# Summary

- Issues in designing an HMM algorithm
- Characterizing effective behavior by slow variables

- Issues with longer time scales
  - interactions between scales
  - detection of new type of slow variables
  - averaging