

# Resonant phenomena in the motion of test particles in spherically symmetric lumps of oscillating dark matter

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# 1 Oscillating dark matter

## 1.1 $\Lambda$ CDM

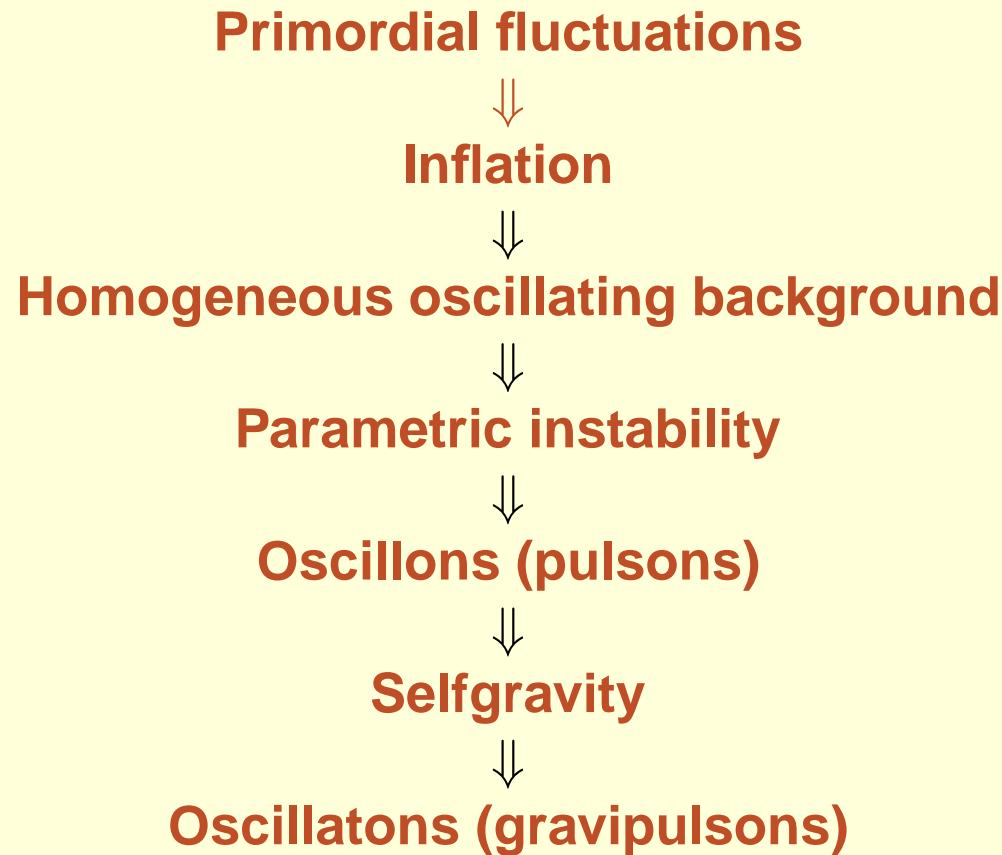
Problems at galactic and subgalactic scales: the cusp profile of central densities in galactic halos, the overpopulation of substructures predicted by N-body simulations

- J. R. Primack (2009)

## 1.2 SFDM

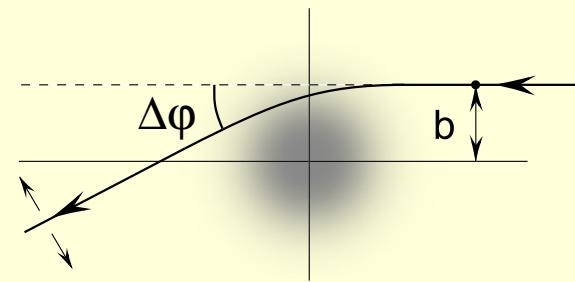
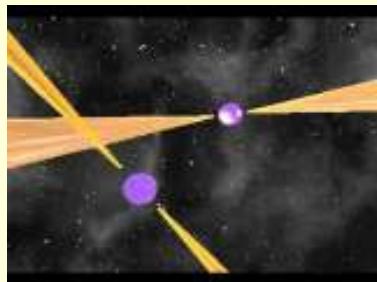
Fundamental nonlinear scalar field describing coherent state of ultra light particles, e.g., axions, with mass  $m \sim 10^{-21} \div 10^{-23}$  eV and  $\omega \sim m$  ( $T \sim 0.1 \div 10$  years).

- M. S. Turner (1983)
- E. Seidel and W.-M. Suen (1991, 1994)
- P. J. E. Peebles (1999, 2000)
- D. J. E. Marsh (2016)



### 1.3 Possible effects of the dark matter oscillations

- Periodic variations in pulsar timing array (A. Khmelnitsky and V.Rubakov (2014))
- Detecting axion dark matter wind with laser interferometers (A.Aoki and J. Soda (2017))
- Secular variation of the orbital period in binary pulsar systems (D. Blas, D. L. Nacir, and S. Sibiryakov (2017))
- Resonance effects in circular motion of stars at galactic center (M. Bosković et al (2018))
- Periodic variations of spectroscopic emission lines from the stars at the halo center caused by the gravitational frequency shift (M.Bosković et al (2018), V. Koutvitsky and E. Maslov (2019))
- Periodic variations of intensity of images when lensing the distant sources (V. Koutvitsky and E. Maslov (2020))
- Periodic variations of deflection angle of test particles (V.Koutvitsky and E. Maslov (2021))



## 2 Finite motions of test particles in time-dependent spherically symmetric gravitational fields

According to the basic concepts of General Relativity, massive particles in a spherically symmetric spacetime move along the geodesics  $x^\mu = x^\mu(s)$  satisfying the equation

$$\frac{d^2x^\mu}{ds^2} + \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu \frac{dx^\alpha}{ds} \frac{dx^\beta}{ds} = 0,$$

where  $ds$  is a proper time interval,

$$ds^2 = B dt^2 - A dr^2 - r^2(d\vartheta^2 + \sin^2 \vartheta d\varphi^2).$$



Consider a spherically symmetric **nonstatic** metric of the form

$$ds^2 = B(t, r) dt^2 - A(t, r) dr^2 - r^2(d\vartheta^2 + \sin^2 \vartheta d\varphi^2).$$

For the trajectories lying in the plane  $\vartheta = \pi/2$ , the geodesic equation reduces to

$$\frac{d}{ds} \ln \left( B \frac{dt}{ds} \right) = \frac{\dot{B}}{2B} \frac{dt}{ds} - \frac{\dot{A}}{2B} \left( \frac{dr}{ds} \right)^2 \left( \frac{dt}{ds} \right)^{-1},$$

$$\frac{d^2r}{ds^2} + \frac{B'}{2A} \left( \frac{dt}{ds} \right)^2 + \frac{\dot{A}}{A} \frac{dt}{ds} \frac{dr}{ds} + \frac{A'}{2A} \left( \frac{dr}{ds} \right)^2 - \frac{r}{A} \left( \frac{d\varphi}{ds} \right)^2 = 0,$$

$$\frac{d^2\varphi}{ds^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{dr}{ds} \frac{d\varphi}{ds} = 0,$$

where  $(\cdot) = \partial/\partial t$ ,  $(') = \partial/\partial r$ . For a particle performing a finite motion with angular momentum  $J$  we obtain

$$\frac{d\varphi}{ds} = \frac{J}{r^2}, \quad B \left( \frac{dt}{ds} \right)^2 - A \left( \frac{dr}{ds} \right)^2 = 1 + \frac{J^2}{r^2}.$$

Denote

$$Y(t) = B(t, r(t)) \frac{dt}{ds}.$$

Then

$$\left( \frac{dr}{dt} \right)^2 = \frac{B}{A} \left[ 1 - \frac{B}{Y^2} \left( 1 + \frac{J^2}{r^2} \right) \right]$$

The function  $Y^2(t)$  satisfies the equation

$$\frac{dY^2}{dt} = f(t, r(t))Y^2 + g(t, r(t)),$$

where

$$f(t, r) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \ln \frac{B}{A}, \quad g(t, r) = B \left( 1 + \frac{J^2}{r^2} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \ln A.$$

The solution is

$$Y^2 = e^{\int f dt} \left( 1 + \int g e^{-\int f dt} dt \right)$$

Using these results we finally obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2r}{dt^2} + \frac{B'}{2A} - \frac{\gamma(r)B}{rA} + \left( \frac{\dot{A}}{A} - \frac{\dot{B}}{2B} \right) \frac{dr}{dt} \\ + \left( \frac{\gamma(r)}{r} + \frac{A'}{2A} - \frac{B'}{B} \right) \left( \frac{dr}{dt} \right)^2 - \frac{\dot{A}}{2B} \left( \frac{dr}{dt} \right)^3 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $A = A(t, r)$ ,  $B = B(t, r)$ ,  $(\cdot) = \partial/\partial t$ ,  $(') = \partial/\partial r$ , and

$$\gamma(r) = \frac{J^2/r^2}{1 + J^2/r^2}, \quad 0 \leq \gamma(r) < 1.$$

## 2.1 Weak field approximation

In the weak field approximation

$$A = 1 - 2\psi + O(\varkappa^2),$$

$$B = 1 + 2\chi + O(\varkappa^2),$$

where  $\psi(t, r)$  and  $\chi(t, r)$  are time-periodic functions of order  $\varkappa \ll 1$ , and  $\varkappa \sim G$ . In this case,  $f(t, r) \sim O(\varkappa)$ ,  $g(t, r) \sim O(\varkappa)$ , so that for finite motions  $Y(t) \approx 1 + O(\varkappa)$ , and, hence,

$$\frac{dr}{dt} \sim O(\varkappa^{1/2}).$$

Thus, assuming  $\gamma \ll 1$  and neglecting the terms  $O(\varkappa^2)$ ,  $O(\varkappa^{5/2})$ , we obtain

$$\frac{d^2r}{dt^2} - \left[ 2\dot{\psi}(t, r) + \dot{\chi}(t, r) \right] \frac{dr}{dt} + \chi'(t, r) - \gamma(r)/r = 0.$$

### 2.1.1 Radial motion

In this case the angular momentum  $J = 0$ , so that

$$\gamma = \frac{J^2/r^2}{1 + J^2/r^2} = 0.$$



Considering small oscillations of a particle around the center, we expand  $\psi(t, r)$  and  $\chi(t, r)$  at  $r = 0$ . Neglecting the terms  $O(\varkappa^{3/2}r^2)$  and  $O(\varkappa r^3)$ , we obtain

$$\frac{d^2r}{dt^2} - \left[ 2\dot{\psi}(t, 0) + \dot{\chi}(t, 0) \right] \frac{dr}{dt} + \chi''(t, 0)r = 0.$$

Finally, substitution

$$r(t) = u(t) \exp \left( \psi(t, 0) + \frac{1}{2}\chi(t, 0) \right)$$

results in the Hill equation

$$\frac{d^2u}{dt^2} + \left( \ddot{\psi}(t, 0) + \frac{1}{2}\ddot{\chi}(t, 0) + \chi''(t, 0) \right) u = 0.$$

## 2.1.2 Circular motion

In this case we set

$$r(t) = r_0(1 + \eta(t)),$$

where  $|\eta(t)| \ll 1$ , and expand  $\psi(t, r)$ ,  $\chi(t, r) = \bar{\chi}(r) + \tilde{\chi}(t, r)$ , and  $\gamma(r)/r$  at  $r = r_0$ . For a circular background trajectory, the constant terms in the equation must be cancelled. This gives the equation

$$r_0 \bar{\chi}'(r_0) = \gamma(r_0)$$

relating  $r_0$  and angular momentum  $J$ . Using this relation and neglecting the terms  $O(\kappa^{3/2}\eta, \kappa\eta^2)$ , we obtain

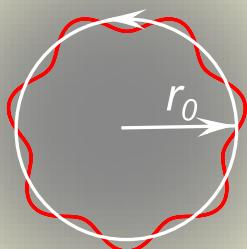
$$\frac{d^2\eta}{dt^2} - \left[ 2\dot{\psi}(t, r_0) + \dot{\chi}(t, r_0) \right] \frac{d\eta}{dt} + \left( \frac{3\gamma(r_0)}{r_0^2} + \chi''(t, r_0) \right) \eta = -\frac{1}{r_0} \tilde{\chi}'(t, r_0).$$

Finally, substitution

$$\eta(t) = u(t) \exp \left( \psi(t, r_0) + \frac{1}{2} \chi(t, r_0) \right)$$

results in the inhomogeneous Hill equation

$$\frac{d^2 u}{dt^2} + \left( \frac{3\gamma(r_0)}{r_0^2} + \ddot{\psi}(t, r_0) + \frac{1}{2} \ddot{\chi}(t, r_0) + \chi''(t, r_0) \right) u = -\frac{1}{r_0} \tilde{\chi}'(t, r_0).$$

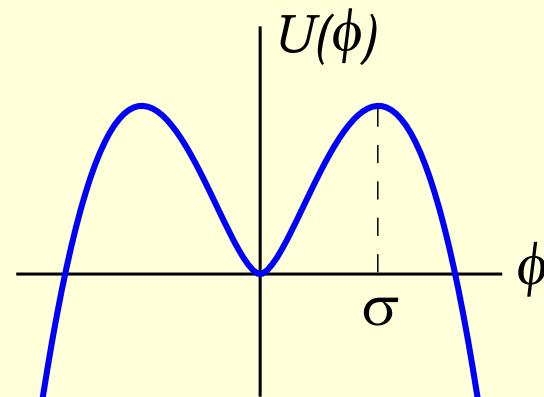


*Circular motion of a test particle with small oscillations about  $r_0$ .*

### 3 Finite motions of a test particle in the time-periodic spherically symmetric scalar field

As a gravitating mass, we consider a pulsating dark matter halo made from the self-gravitating real scalar field with the potential

$$U(\phi) = \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 \left(1 - \ln \frac{\phi^2}{\sigma^2}\right)$$



- quantum field theory [G. Rosen (1969), Bialynicki-Birula & Mycielski (1975)]
- inflationary cosmology [Linde (1982, 1992), Albrecht & Steinhardt (1982), Barrow & Parsons (1995)]
- supersymmetric extensions of the Standard Model (flat direction potentials in the gravity mediated supersymmetric breaking scenario) [Enqvist & McDonald (1998)]

## Einstein-Klein-Gordon system

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G \left[ \phi_{,\mu}\phi_{,\nu} - \left( \frac{1}{2}\phi_{,\alpha}\phi^{,\alpha} - U(\phi) \right) g_{\mu\nu} \right],$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\mu} \left( \sqrt{-g} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^\mu} \right) + \frac{dU(\phi)}{d\phi} = 0.$$

The case of spherical symmetry:  $ds^2 = Bdt^2 - A dr^2 - r^2(d\vartheta^2 + \sin^2 \vartheta d\varphi^2)$ :

$$\frac{A_r}{A} + \frac{A-1}{r} = 4\pi GrA \left[ \frac{1}{B}\phi_t^2 + \frac{1}{A}\phi_r^2 + m^2\phi^2 \left( 1 - \ln \frac{\phi^2}{\sigma^2} \right) \right],$$

$$\frac{B_r}{B} - \frac{A-1}{r} = 4\pi GrA \left[ \frac{1}{B}\phi_t^2 + \frac{1}{A}\phi_r^2 - m^2\phi^2 \left( 1 - \ln \frac{\phi^2}{\sigma^2} \right) \right],$$

$$\frac{1}{B}\phi_{tt} - \frac{1}{A} \left( \phi_{rr} + \frac{2}{r}\phi_r \right) + \frac{1}{2B} \left( \frac{A_t}{A} - \frac{B_t}{B} \right) \phi_t + \frac{1}{2A} \left( \frac{A_r}{A} - \frac{B_r}{B} \right) \phi_r = m^2\phi \ln \frac{\phi^2}{\sigma^2}.$$

## Boundary conditions

$$\phi(t, \infty) = 0, \quad A(t, \infty) = 1, \quad B(t, \infty) = 1, \quad \phi_r(t, 0) = 0, \quad A(t, 0) = 1.$$

### 3.1 Weak field approximation

In the weak field approximation this system has a pulsating solution of the form

$$\phi(t, r) = \sigma[a(\tau) + \varkappa Q(\tau, \rho) + O(\varkappa^2)] e^{(3-\rho^2)/2},$$

$$A(t, r) = 1 - 2\psi(t, r) + O(\varkappa^2), \quad B(t, r) = 1 + 2\chi(t, r) + O(\varkappa^2),$$

where

$$\psi(t, r) = \frac{\varkappa}{2} \left[ V_{\max} \left( 1 - \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{erf} \rho}{2\rho} e^{\rho^2} \right) + a^2 \rho^2 \right] e^{3-\rho^2},$$

$$\chi(t, r) = -\frac{\varkappa}{2} \left[ V_{\max} \left( 1 + \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{erf} \rho}{2\rho} e^{\rho^2} \right) + a^2 \ln a^2 \right] e^{3-\rho^2},$$

$\tau = mt$ ,  $\rho = mr$ ,  $\varkappa = 4\pi G\sigma^2 \ll 1$  ( $G$  is the gravitational constant). The function  $a(\tau)$  oscillates in the range  $-a_{\max} \leq a(\theta) \leq a_{\max}$  in the local minimum of the potential  $V(a)$ ,

$$a_{\tau\tau} = -dV/da, \quad V(a) = (a^2/2)(1 - \ln a^2) \leq V_{\max} = V(a_{\max}),$$

with the period

$$T = 4 \int_0^1 [(1 - \ln a_{\max}^2)(1 - z^2) + z^2 \ln z^2]^{-1/2} dz.$$

### 3.1.1 Radial motion

$$\frac{d^2u}{dt^2} + \left( \ddot{\psi}(t, 0) + \frac{1}{2} \ddot{\chi}(t, 0) + \chi''(t, 0) \right) u = 0.$$

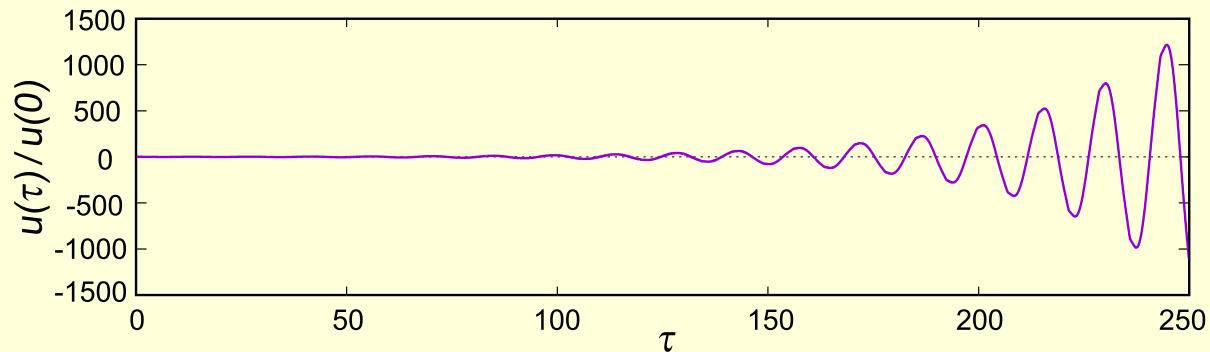
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$$\frac{d^2u}{d\tau^2} + \kappa e^3 \left[ \frac{3}{2} a^2 - \frac{1}{2} a^2 \ln a^2 (1 + 2 \ln a^2) - V_{\max} \left( \frac{5}{3} + \ln a^2 \right) \right] u = 0.$$

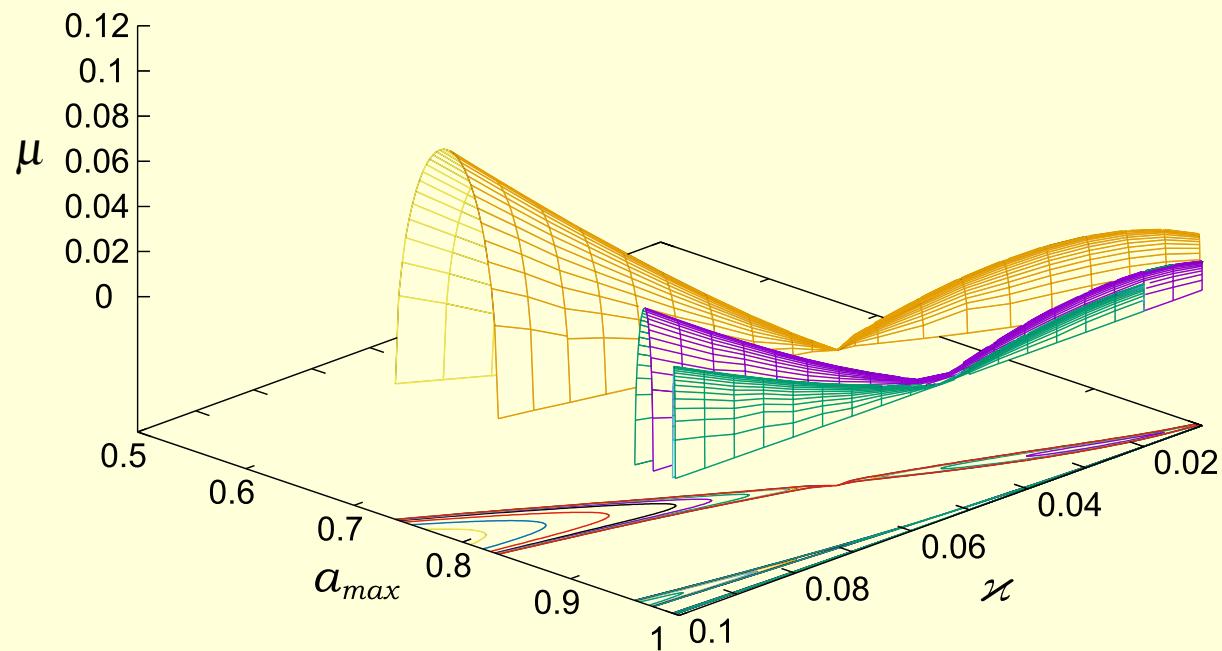
This is a **singular** Hill equation! For  $\mu \gg 1$  its solution has the form

$$u(\tau) \sim F(\tau) e^{\mu\tau},$$

where  $F(\tau)$  is a  $T/2$ -periodic or  $T/2$ -antiperiodic function, and  $\mu$  is the Floquet exponent.



*Fig.1. Resonant solution for  $\varkappa=0.02$ ,  $a_{max}=0.985$ ;  $\mu \approx 0.029$ .*



*Fig.2. Zone structure and Floquet exponent for radial trajectories*

### 3.1.2 Circular motion

$$\frac{d^2u}{dt^2} + \left( \frac{3\gamma(r_0)}{r_0^2} + \ddot{\psi}(t, r_0) + \frac{1}{2}\ddot{\chi}(t, r_0) + \chi''(t, r_0) \right) u = -\frac{1}{r_0}\tilde{\chi}'(t, r_0).$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2u}{d\tau^2} + \left\{ \frac{\gamma(\rho_0)}{\rho_0^2} + \frac{\kappa}{2}e^{3-\rho_0^2} \left[ 2V_{\max} (1 - \ln a^2) + (3 - 2\rho_0^2) a^2 \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - a^2 \ln a^2 (1 + 2 \ln a^2) + 4\overline{a^2 \ln a^2} \right] \right\} u = -\kappa \widetilde{a^2 \ln a^2} e^{3-\rho_0^2}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\rho_0$  is determined from the equation

$$\gamma(\rho_0) = \kappa \rho_0^2 e^{3-\rho_0^2} \left\{ V_{\max} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{2\rho_0^2} \left( 1 - \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{erf} \rho_0}{2\rho_0} e^{\rho_0^2} \right) \right] + \overline{a^2 \ln a^2} \right\}.$$

This is **inhomogeneous singular** Hill equation !

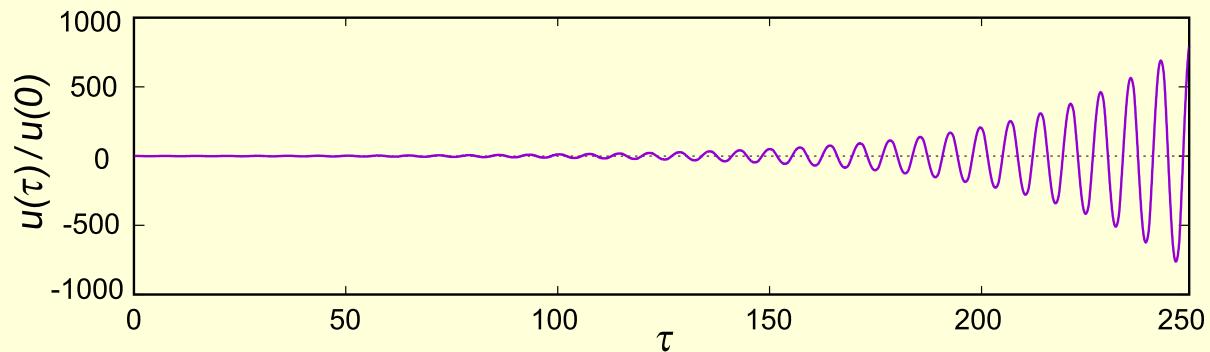


Fig.3. Resonant solution for  $\varkappa=0.03$ ,  $a_{max}=0.7847$ ,  $\rho_0=0.1$ ;  $\mu \approx 0.0283$ .

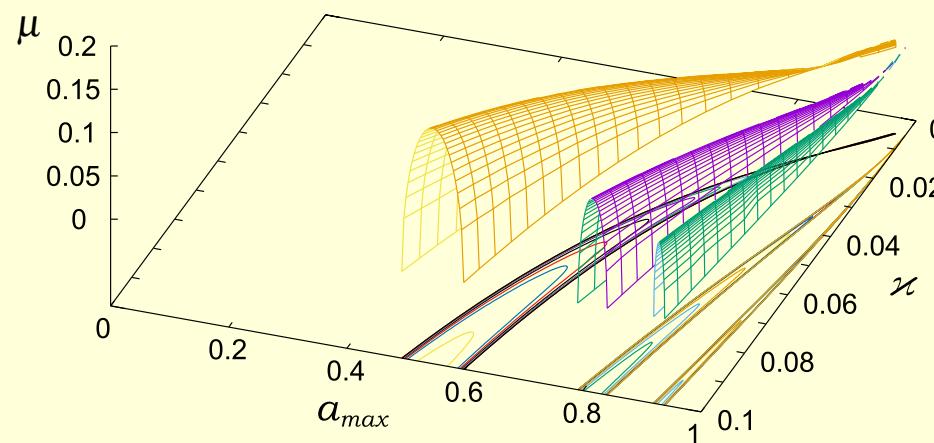


Fig.4. Floquet exponent for circular orbits,  $\rho_0=0.1$

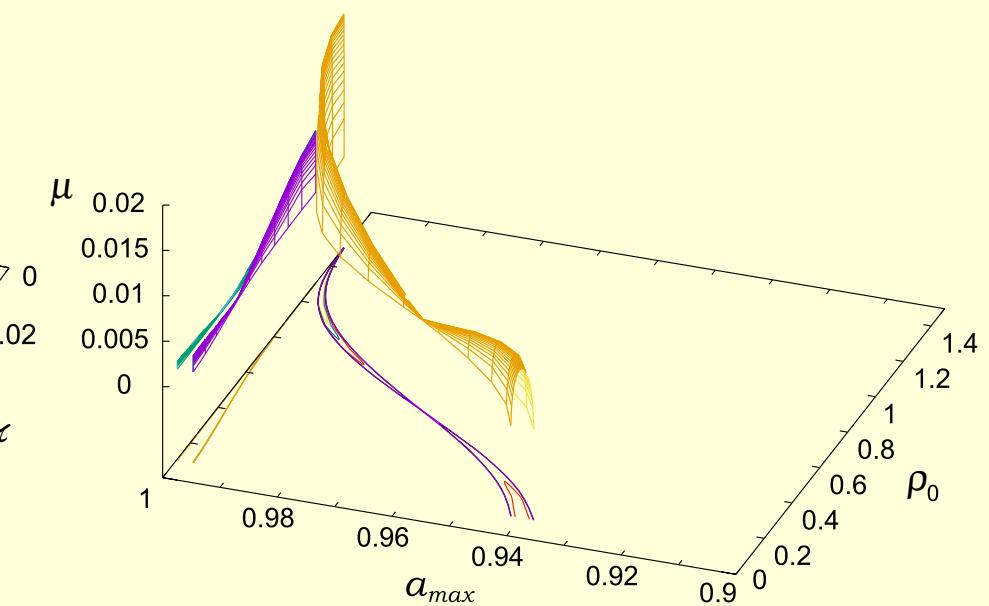


Fig.5. Floquet exponent for circular orbits,  $\varkappa=0.01$

## 4 Cosmological implications

The energy density of the lump oscillates in time and decays as

$$T_0^0 \sim m^2 \sigma^2 a^2(\tau) \rho^2 e^{3-\rho^2},$$

where  $\tau = mt$ ,  $\rho = mr$ .

Therefore, the characteristic size of the lump is  $\sim m^{-1}$ , and the oscillation period  $T_g \approx (2m)^{-1}T$ , where  $T \sim 10$  is the oscillation period of  $a(\tau)$ .

For example, for  $m \sim 10^{-22}$  eV we have the lump of the size  $\sim 0.06$  pc, oscillating with the period  $\sim 1$  year.

To obtain the Sun-sized lump we need to assume  $m \approx 2.7 \times 10^{-16}$  eV, that gives  $T_g \approx 12$  seconds.



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