

# Diffusion on an oscillating dissipative corrugated floor

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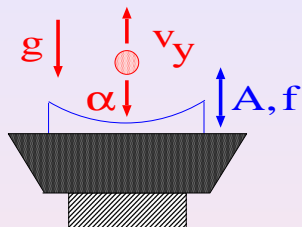
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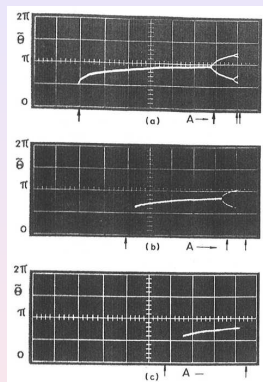
# Outline

- 1 **Motivation:** the bouncing ball billiard
- 2 Frequency locking, diffusion and correlated random walks
- 3 Spiral modes and diffusion

# The bouncing ball: experiments



Pieranski (1983ff)  
 Tufillaro (1986ff)  
 Young Researcher  
 Competition  
 (Germany, 2003)

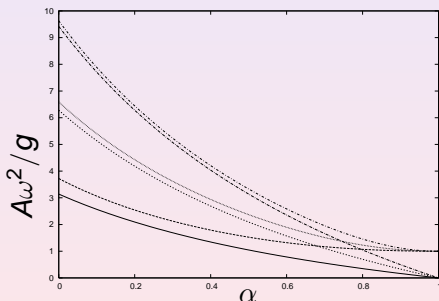


Pieranski, J.Phys. (1985)  
 Luck, Mehta (1993): “chattering”  
 bifurcations into chaotic motion?  
 Linz (2003)



# The bouncing ball: 'theory'

**linear stability analysis** of the exact (implicit) equations of motion yields **frequency locking** regions ('tongues'):



Hongler et al. (1989)

Luck, Mehta (1993)

**high bounce approximation:**  
for displacement amplitude  $A \ll y_{max}$  ball's max. height eom's become

$$\theta_{k+1} = \theta_k + v_k$$

$$v_{k+1} = \alpha v_k + \gamma \cos \theta_{k+1}$$

**dissipative standard map**

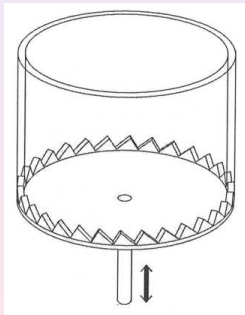
with  $\theta_k$ : phase of the table;  $v_k$ : ball velocity at the  $k$ th collision and  $\gamma = 2\omega^2(1 + \alpha)A/g$

Tufillaro (1986ff)

cp. with driven pendulum and Fermi acceleration

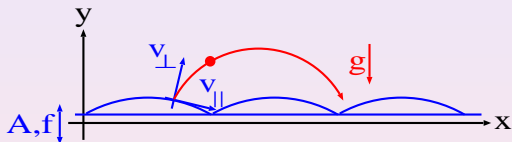
# The bouncing ball billiard

study **gas of granular particles** on vibrating surface coated with periodic scatterers:



Farkas et al. (1999)  
Urbach et al. (2002)

motivated our one dimensional **bouncing ball billiard**:



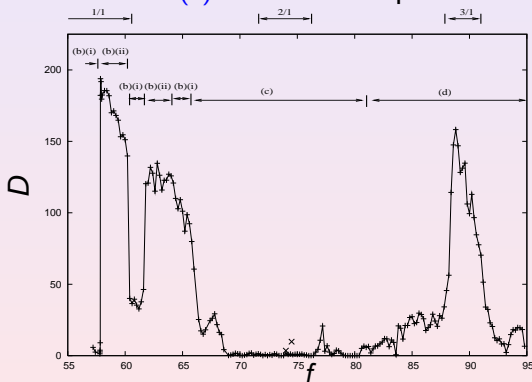
at collision: two **friction coefficients**  
 $\alpha$  perpendicular and  $\beta$  tangential to  
the surface

**Q:**  $\exists$  frequency locking in diffusion?

# Frequency locking and diffusion

**parameters:** scatterer radius  $R = 25\text{mm}$ , amplitude  $A = 0.1\text{mm}$ , restitution  $\alpha = 0.5$ ,  $\beta = 0.99$

**diffusion coefficient  $D(f)$**  from MD computer simulations:

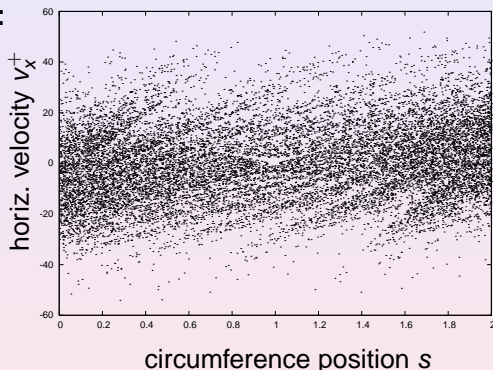


- highly irregular  $D(f)$ , no monotonicity
- frequency locking  $\leftrightarrow$  largest maxima of  $D(f)$

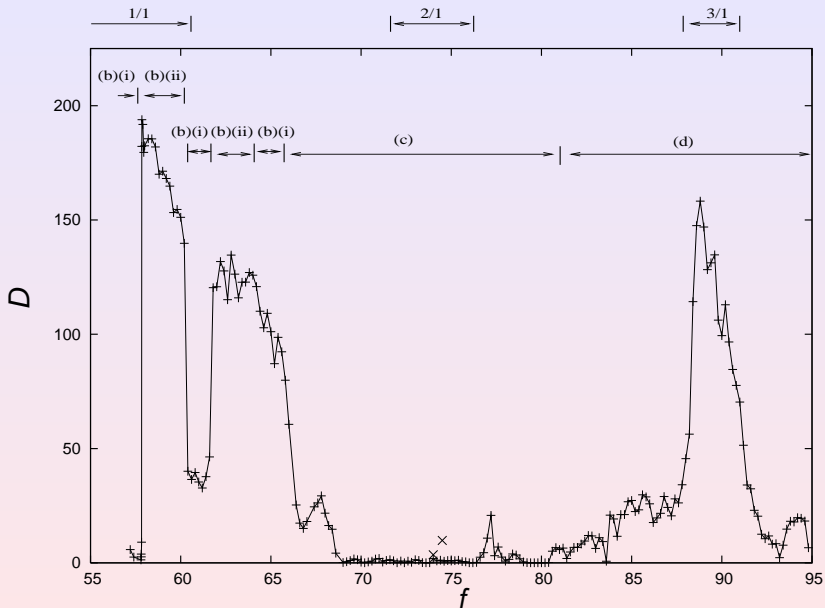
# Numerical analysis of the dynamics: resonance

∃ **two types of attractors**; projections at collisions:

**attractor 1:**



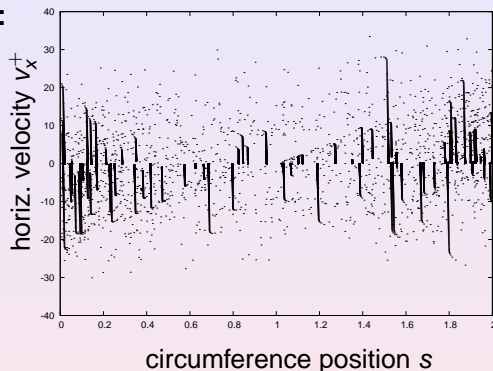
- ∃ **1/1-resonance** *vertically*, irregular motion *horizontally*
- traces of harmonic oscillator *separatrix*
- fan-shaped structure by *chaotic* scatterers  
⇒ defines **regime (b)(ii)**





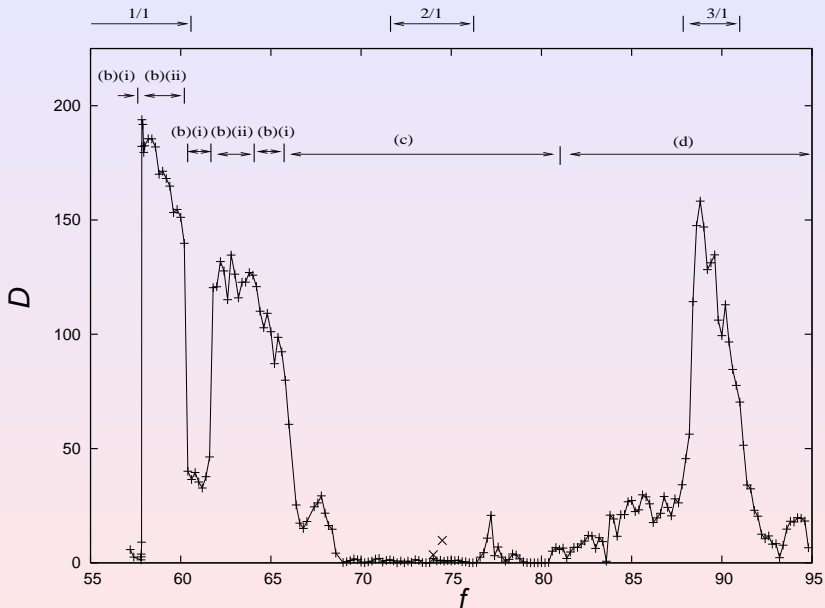
# Numerical analysis of the dynamics: creeps

## attractor 2:



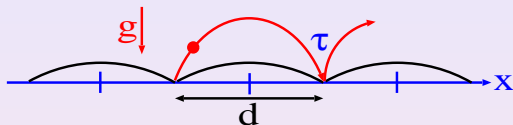
- **non-resonant irregular motion** in  $x$  and  $y$
- long **creeps**: sequences of correlated tiny jumps along the surface: **regime (c)**

both types of dynamics can be linked to each other **ergodically (d)** or exist on different attractors **non-ergodically (b)(i)**



# Simple random walk approximation

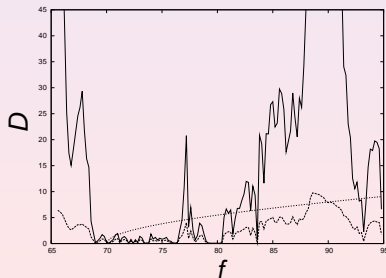
diffusion as a **random walk** on the line:



$$D_{\text{rw}}(f) = \frac{d^2}{2\tau(f)}$$

distance  $d$  between wedges and escape time  $\tau$  out of wedge

$D_{\text{rw}}(f)$  for  $\tau$  numerically:



$\tau \simeq d / \langle v_x \rangle \simeq d / \sqrt{2E_x}$  links  
 $D_{\text{rw}}(f)$  to kinetic energy  $E_x(f)$

dotted line: energy balance

$E = E_x + E_y + E_{\text{pot}}$  with

$E_{\text{pot}} \simeq g\bar{y} \simeq gA$ ,  $E \simeq A^2\omega^2/2$  and

$E_y \simeq 19E_x$  leads to

$$D_{\text{stoch}}(f) \simeq \frac{d}{2} \sqrt{2E_x} \simeq \frac{d}{2} \sqrt{\frac{A^2\omega^2}{20} - \frac{gA}{10}}$$

# Correlated random walk approximation

diffusion via **Taylor-Green-Kubo formula**:

$$D(f) = \frac{d^2}{2\tau} + \frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle h(x_0) \cdot h(x_k) \rangle$$

with lattice vectors  $h(x_k) = \pm d$  and equilibrium ensemble average  $\langle \dots \rangle$  (R.K., Korabel, 2002)

truncate series and express it by **conditional probabilities**

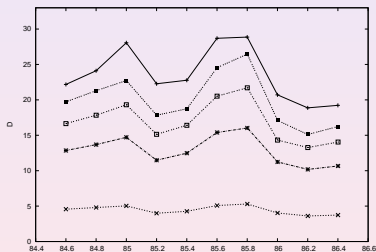
$$D_n(f) = d^2/2\tau + \frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{s_1 \dots s_n} p(s_1 s_2 \dots) h \cdot h(s_1 s_2 \dots)$$

**examples:** 1st order approximation by forward- and backward scattering:  $D_1 = D_0 + 2D_0(p_f - p_b) = D_0 + 2D_0(1 - 2p_b)$

2nd order approximation:  $D_2 = D_1 + 2D_0(p_{ff} - p_{fb} + p_{bf} - p_{bb})$

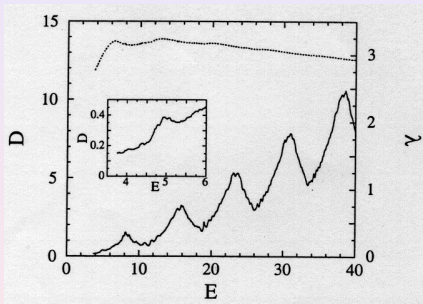
# Understanding correlations in deterministic diffusion

compute probabilities numerically and check convergence of **higher-order terms** to  $D(f)$ :



⇒ **irregularities** on fine scales are *real* and due to **dynamical correlations**

Hamiltonian billiard without vibrations and friction:



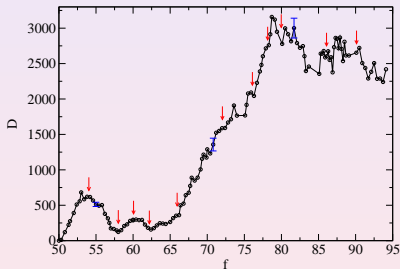
Harayama, Gaspard (2001)

**fractal diffusion coefficient** in energy  $E$

# Irregular diffusion for other parameters

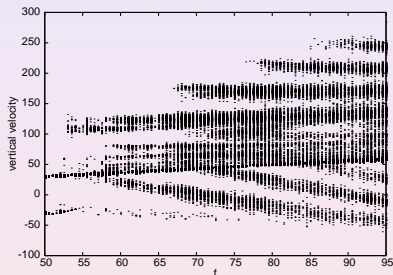
2nd set of **parameters** closer to experiments:  $R = 15\text{mm}$ ,  
 $A = 0.1\text{mm}$ ,  $\alpha = 0.7$ ,  $\beta = 0.99$

$D(f)$  from simulations:



● **highly irregular** diffusion coefficient, but **very different** from previous one

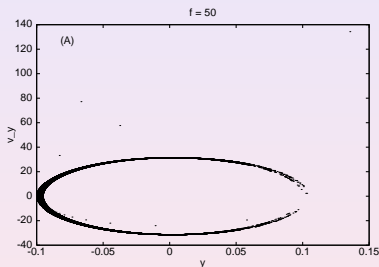
**projections** of velocities  $v_y^+$  around  $y = 0$ :



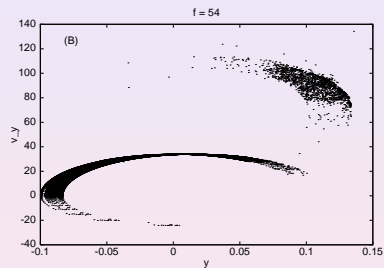
- local extrema  $\leftrightarrow$  frequency locking?
- cp. 'bifurcations'  $\leftrightarrow$  local extrema!

# Spiral modes and diffusion 1

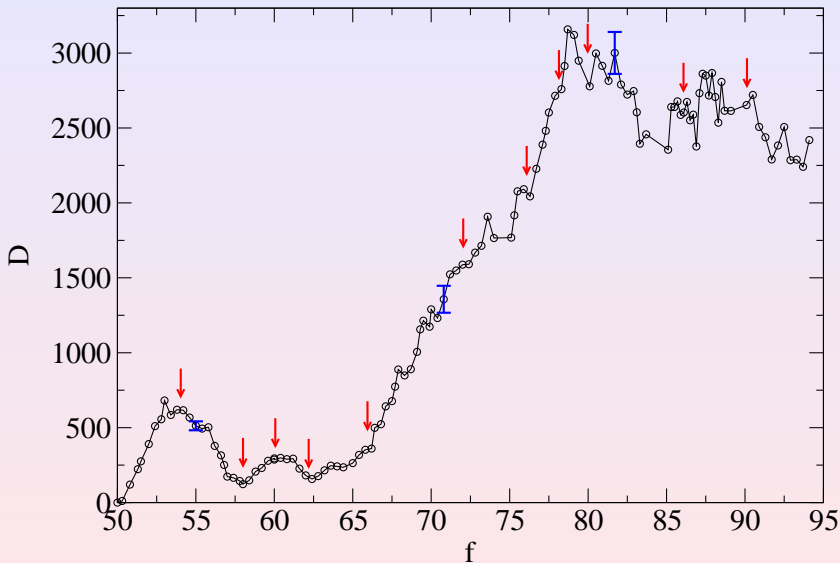
projections of orbits onto the  $(y, v_y^+)$ -plane:



(A) **onset of diffusion:**  
particles oscillate  
harmonically with the surface

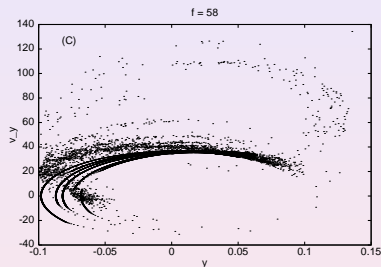


(B) **onset of 1/1-resonance:**  
enhancement of diffusion;  
coexistence with **creeping  
orbits**

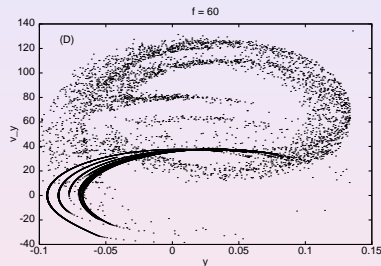




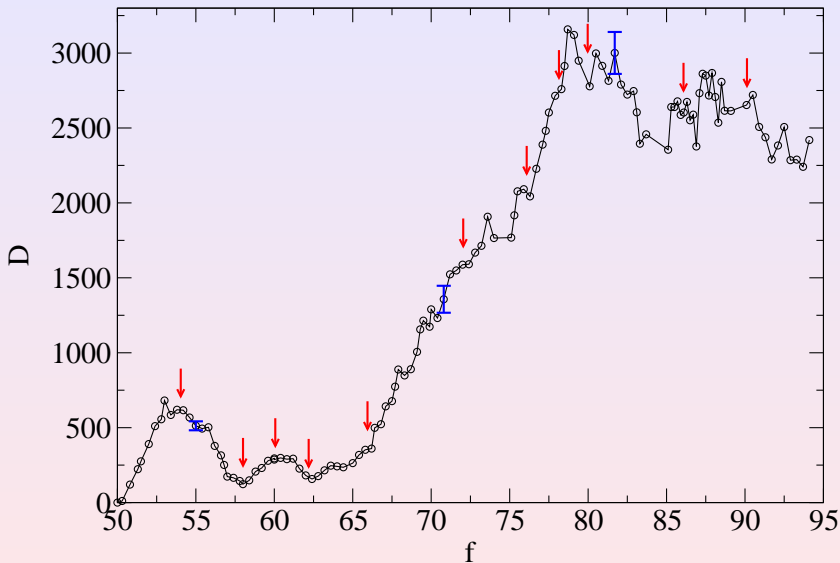
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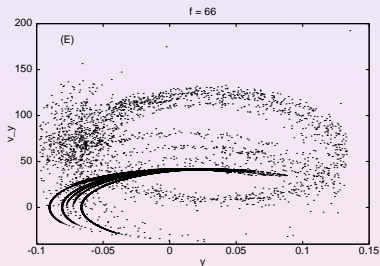
(C) **destruction of 1/1-resonance:** existence of a local minimum in the diffusion coefficient



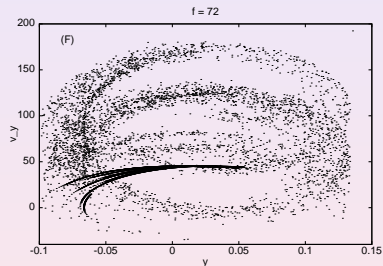
(D) **new type of resonance:** a **virtual harmonic oscillator mode (VHO)** is forming; explains the second peak in  $D(f)$ ; unstable around  $f \simeq 62$



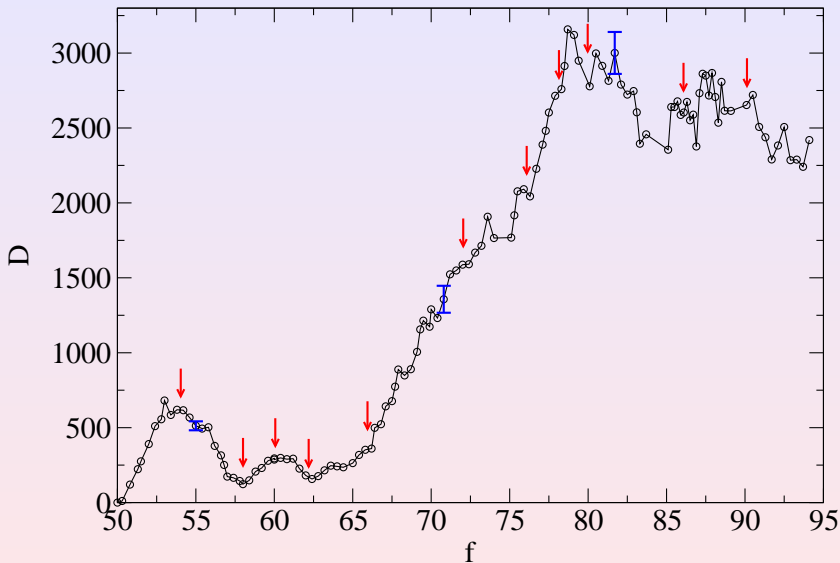
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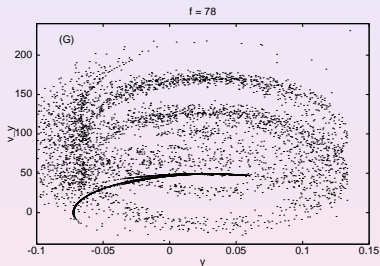
(E) the VHO spirals out:  
further enhancement of  
diffusion



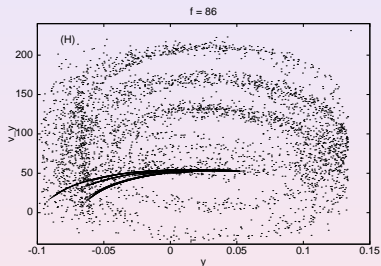
(F) two-loop spiral



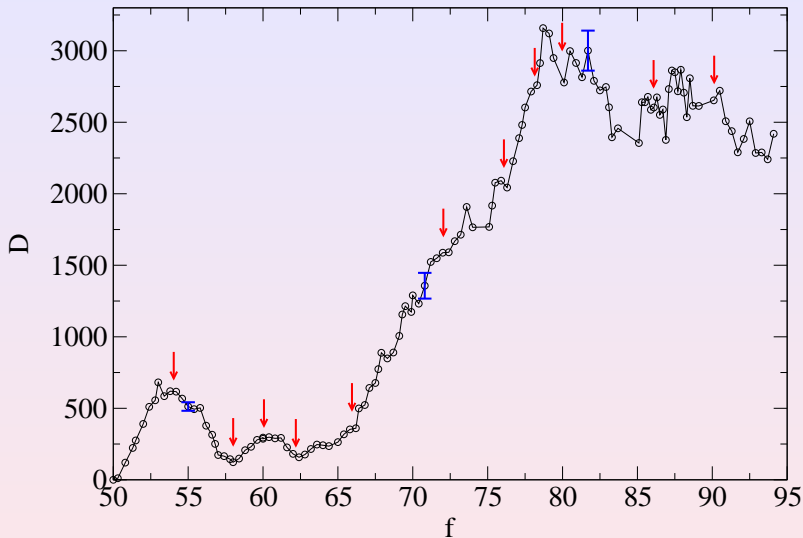
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(G) onset of a third loop  
around  $f \simeq 76$ : explains third  
local maximum



(H) onset of a fourth loop:  
related to fourth local  
maximum



**note:** diffusion coefficient is also irregular with respect to **other control parameters**  $\alpha, \beta, R$

# Spiral modes quantitatively

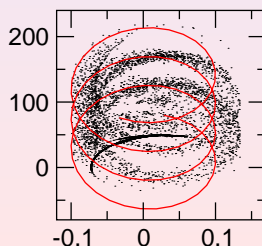
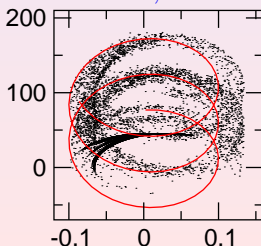
**frequency locking condition:**  $k := T_p/T_f = 2v_y^+ f/g$  with  $T_p$  particle time of flight and  $T_f$  period of vibration

**numerical finding:**  $D(f)$  has local maxima with complete VHO loops at half-integer  $k$

**spiral equation:** assume flat surface and no correlations between collisions; from eom's (Luck, Mehta, 1993):

$$y = -A \sin(2\pi f t_1), \quad v_y = \alpha g/2(t_1 - t_0) - A2\pi f(1 + \alpha) \cos(2\pi f t_1)$$

with particle launched at time  $t_0$  and first collision at  $t_1$ , cp. with simulations for  $f = 72, 78$ :



# Summary

- **bouncing ball billiard** models diffusion of a granular particle on a vibrating corrugated floor
- computer simulations show a **highly irregular frequency-dependent diffusion coefficient**; main impact by **frequency locking** and **spiral modes**
- **highly correlated nonlinear dynamics** yields further **irregularities on fine scales**, understood by correlated random walk approximations

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