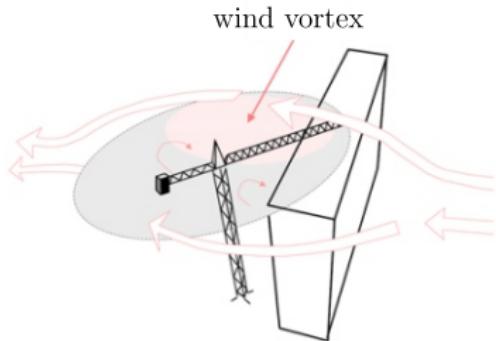


The first-passage time as an analysis tool for the reliability of stochastic oscillators

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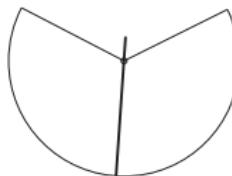
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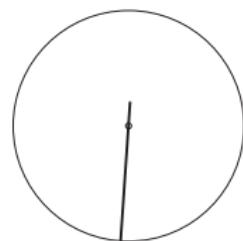
Etudes des effets du vent sur les grues à tour
Voisin, 2003.



Small oscillations



Large oscillations



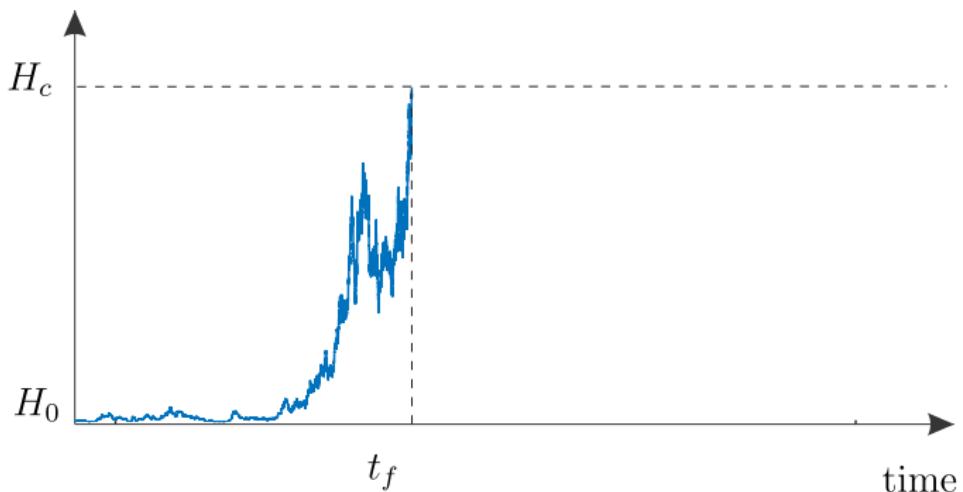
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The first-passage time

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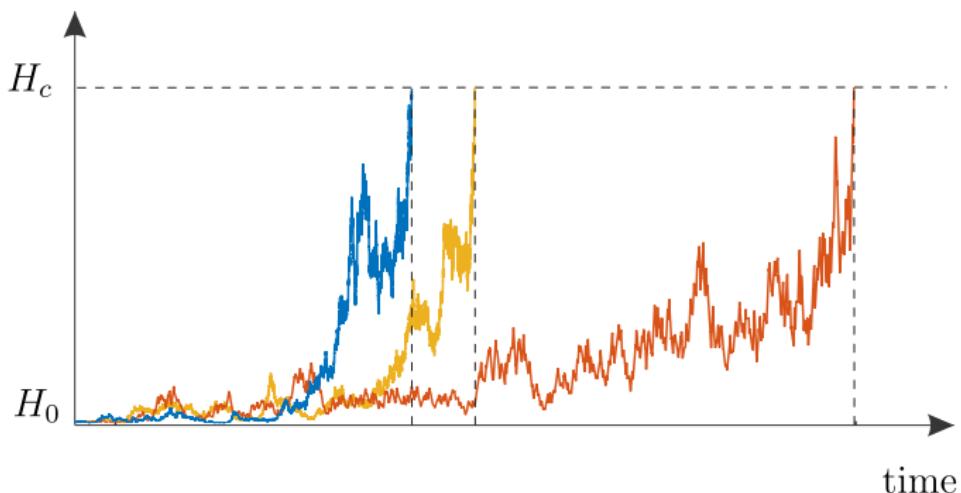


How much time ?

First – passage time t_f to go from H_0 to H_c

The first-passage time

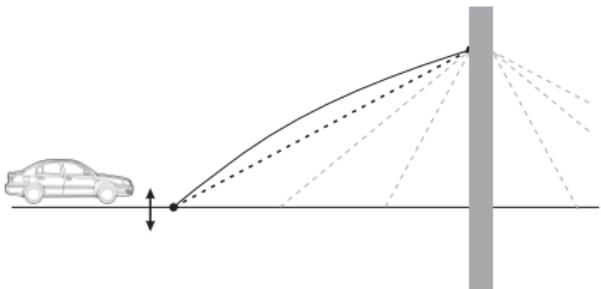
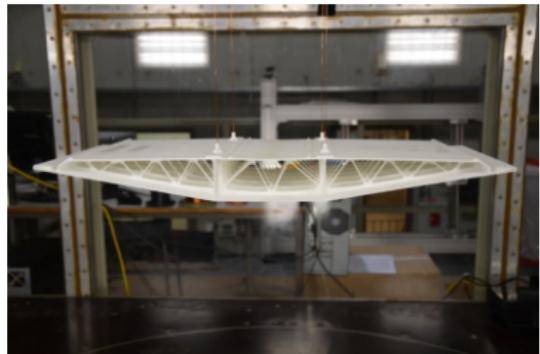
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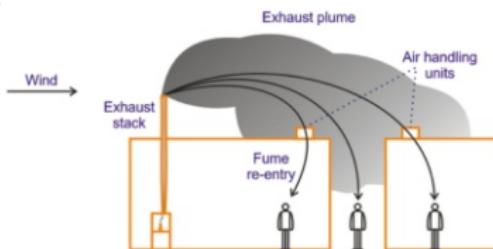
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Mitigation of the torsional flutter phenomenon of a bridge deck section during a lifting phase,
Andrianne T. and de Ville de Goyet V., 2016.

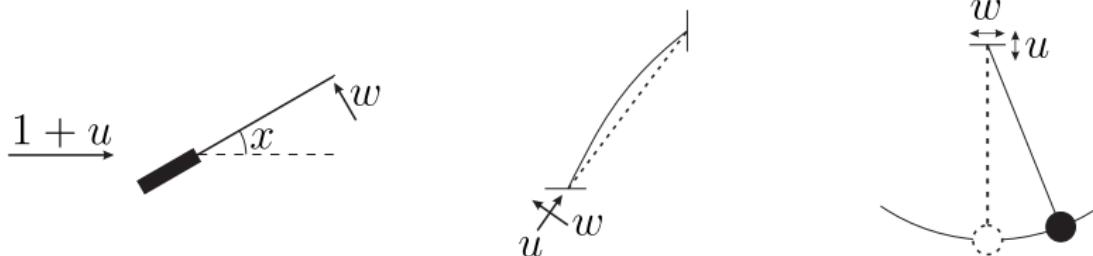


CFD simulation of micro-scale pollutant dispersion in the built environment, Blocken et al. (2013)

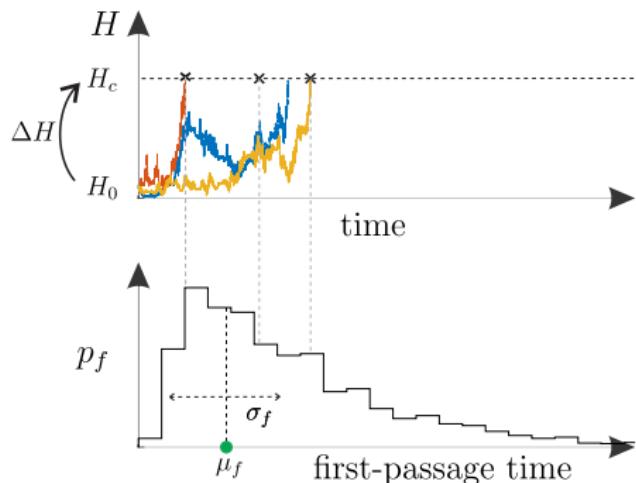
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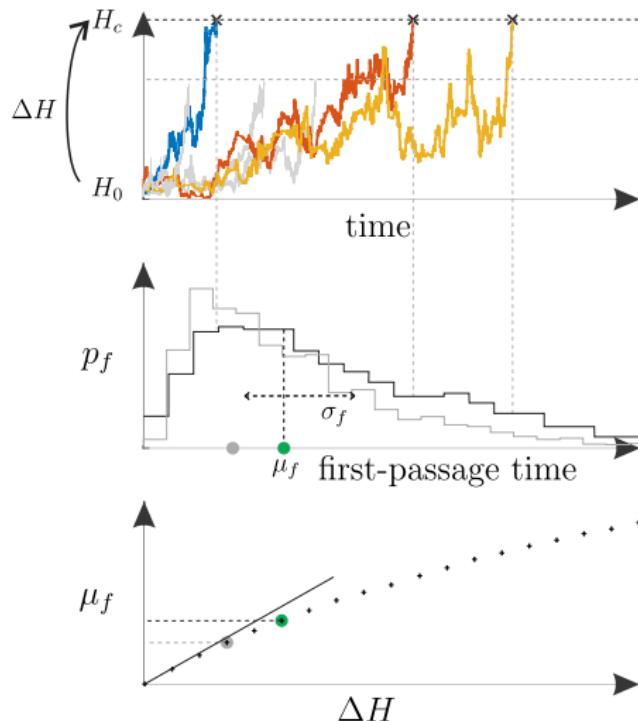
Parametric Forced



The Mathieu oscillator



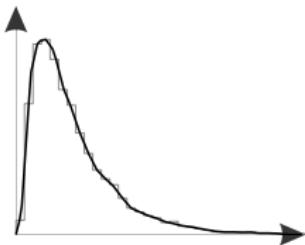
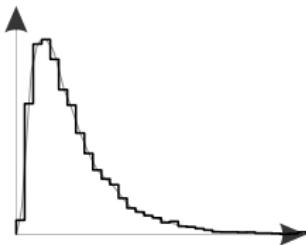
The Mathieu oscillator



The Mathieu oscillator

	Monte Carlo simulations
+	versatile
-	time consuming
	hard to analyze
	needs to be repeated

	Analytical approach	Numerical approach
+	good understanding	versatile
-	large validity	time efficient
	complex	
	not always possible	hard to analyze
		needs to be repeated



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Governing equations

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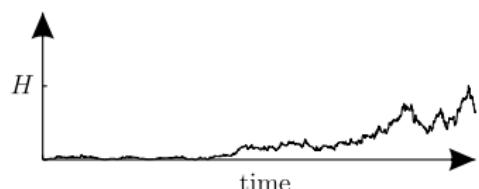
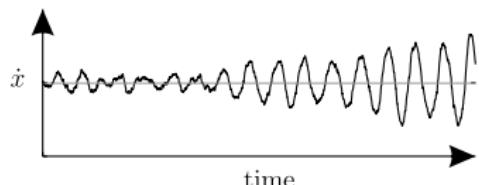
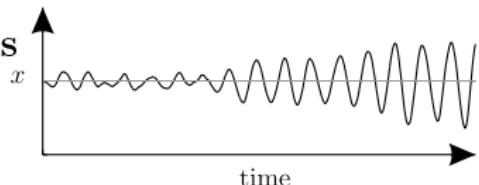
stationary white noise excitations
of intensities $S_u, S_w \ll 1$

slightly damped
 $\xi \ll 1$

(very) long transient regime

→ the energy H evolves slowly

$$H = \frac{\dot{x}^2}{2} + \frac{x^2}{2}$$



Governing equations

$$\ddot{x}(t) + 2\xi\dot{x} + (1 + u(t)) x(t)$$

Stochastic averaging

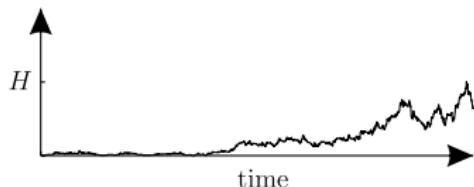
$$\dot{H} = m(H) + \sigma(H)\eta(t)$$

white noise of intensity 1

drift $m(H) = \frac{H}{2}S_u + \frac{S_w}{2} - 2\xi H$
and
diffusion $\sigma^2(H) = \frac{H^2}{2}S_u + HS_w$

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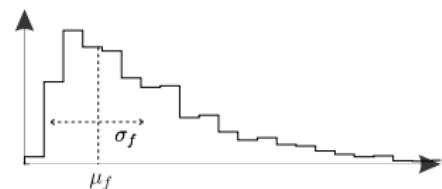
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Governing equations

Generalized Pontryagin equation

$$m(H_0) \frac{\partial M_k}{\partial H_0} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2(H_0) \frac{\partial^2 M_k}{\partial H_0^2} = -M_{k-1} \quad \text{with} \quad M_0 = 1$$



$$M_k = \mathcal{E}\{t_f^k\}$$

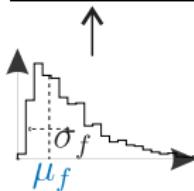
$M_1 = \mu_f$ mean first-passage time

$M_2 = \sigma_f^2 + \mu_f^2$ mean square first-passage time

Average first-passage time of the undamped Mathieu oscillator

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Asymptotic expansion

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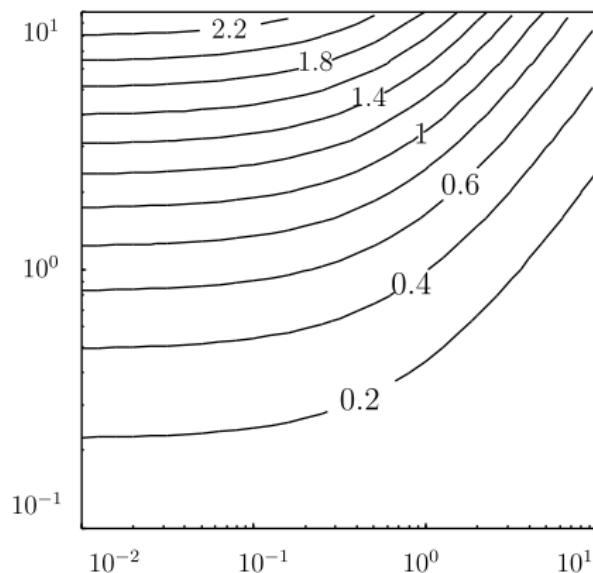
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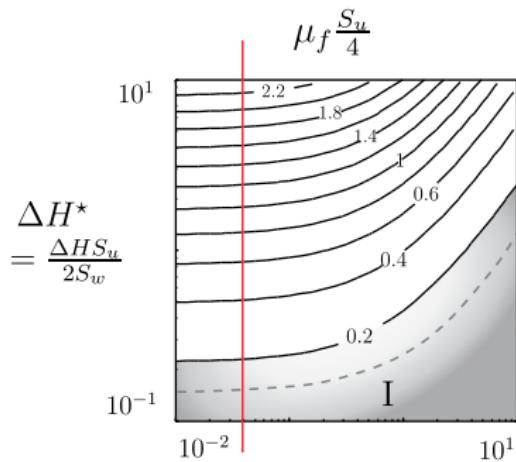
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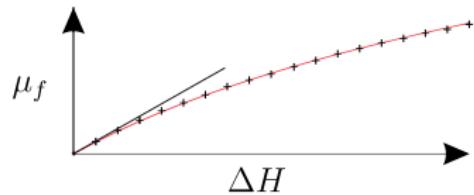
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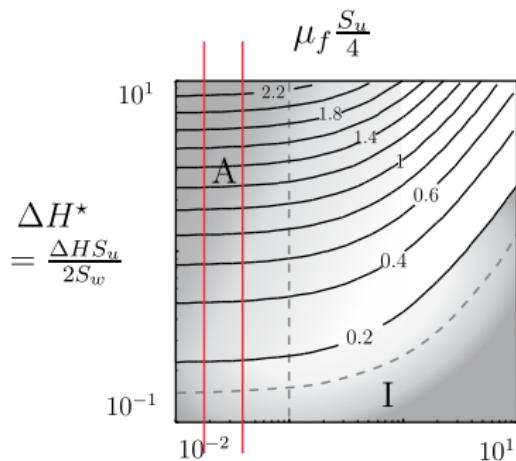
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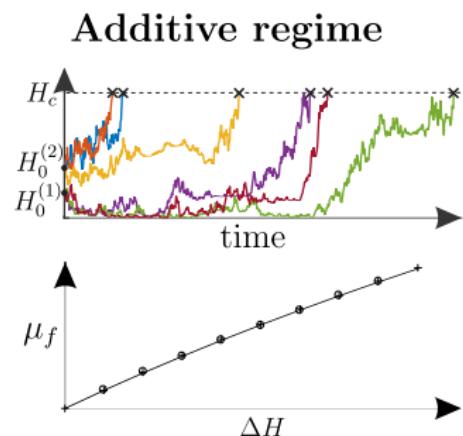
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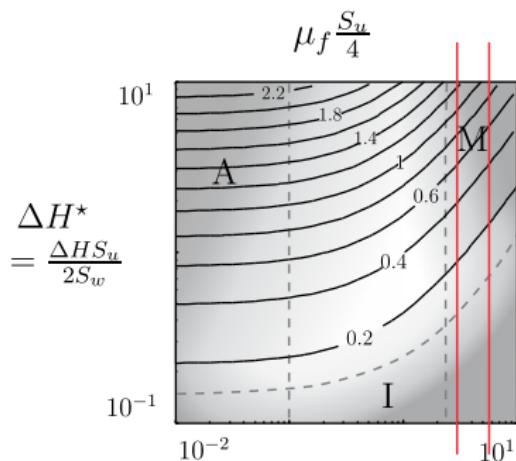
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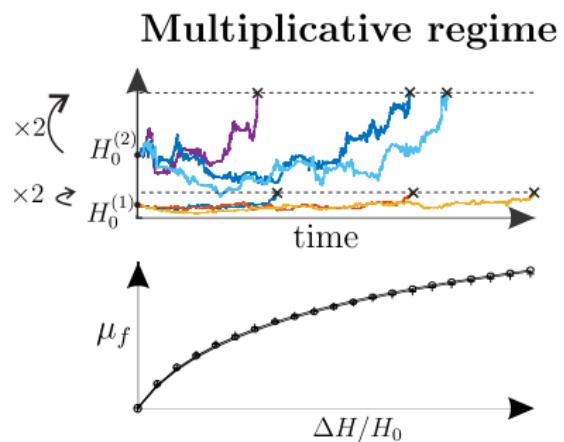
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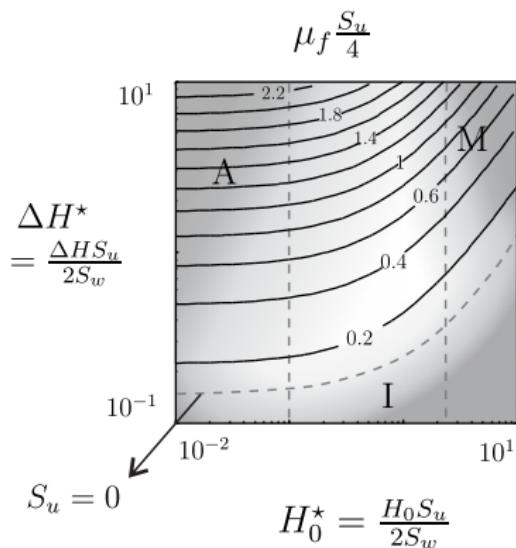


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Average first-passage time of the undamped Mathieu oscillator - limit cases

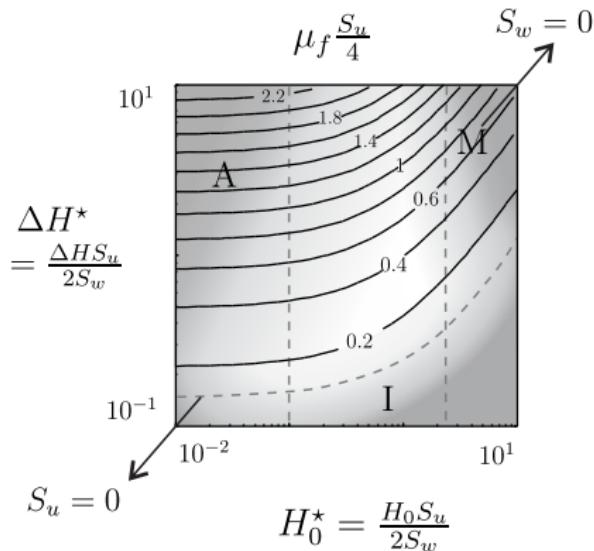


- $S_u = 0$ No parametric

$$\ddot{x}(t) + (1 + \cancel{u(t)}) x(t) = w(t)$$

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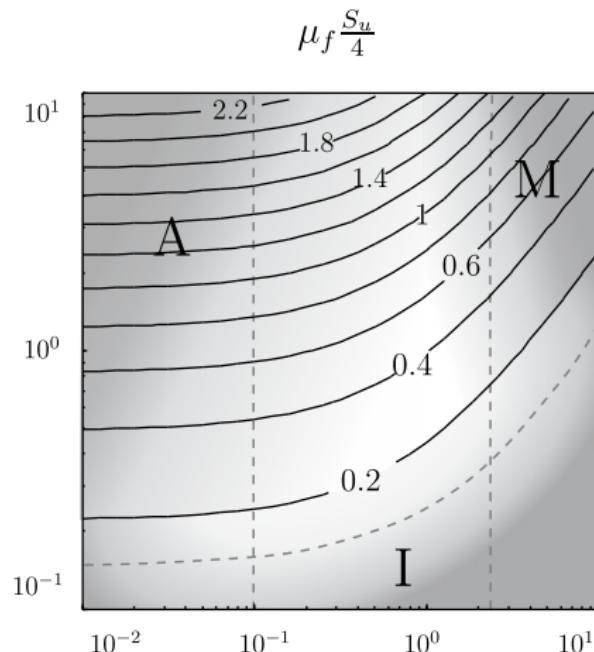
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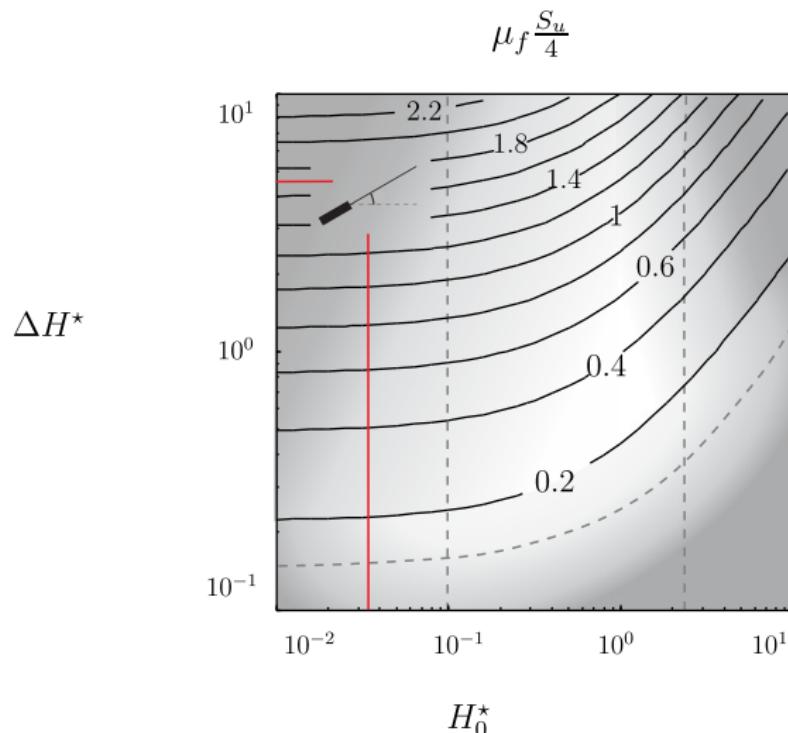
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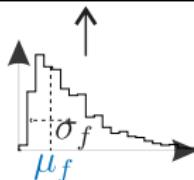
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Average first-passage time of the damped Mathieu oscillator

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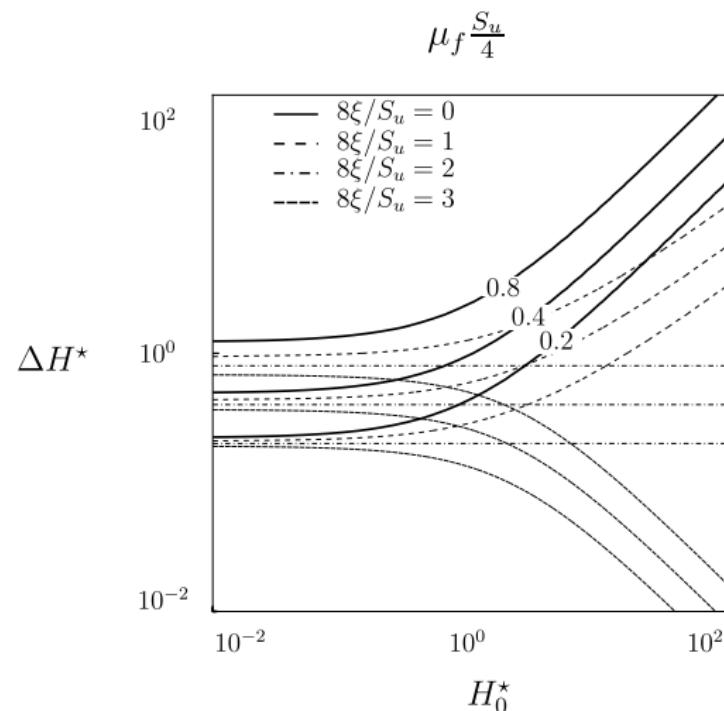
$$\left(\frac{H_0}{2} S_u + \frac{S_w}{2} - 2\xi H \right) \frac{\partial \mu_f}{\partial H_0} + \left(\frac{H_0^2}{4} S_u + \frac{H_0}{2} S_w \right) \frac{\partial^2 \mu_f}{\partial H_0^2} = -1$$

Asymptotic expansion

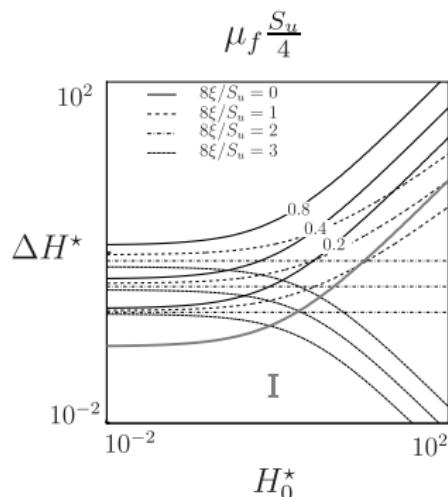
$$\mu_f \frac{S_u}{4} = \text{fct}(H_0^*, \Delta H^*, 8\xi/S_u)$$

Analytical expression is established.

Average first-passage time of the damped Mathieu oscillator



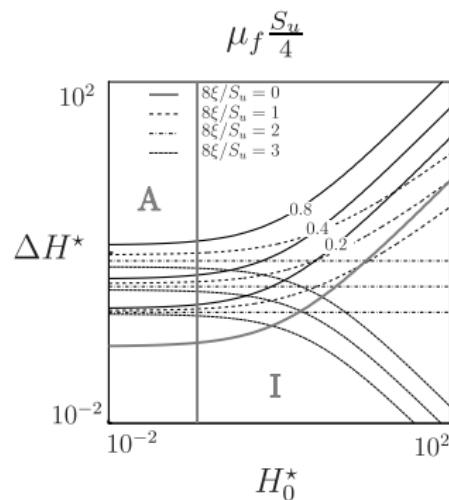
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Incubation regime

μ_f scales linearly
with ΔH^*
for given H_0^*

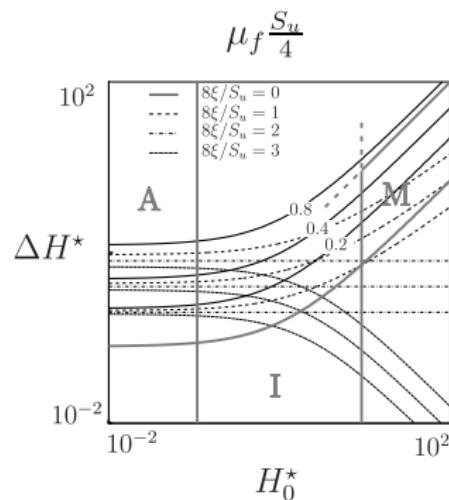
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Additive regime

μ_f is a function
of ΔH^* only

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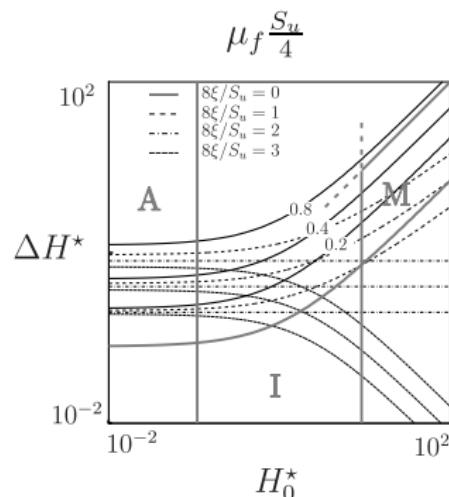


Multiplicative regime

Parallel straight lines

Slope decreases with $\frac{8\xi}{S_u}$

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Effect of damping

μ_f increases

Slope changes in M

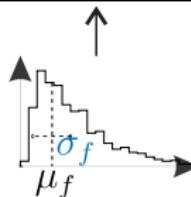
Little effect elsewhere

Different topology

Variance of the first-passage time of the undamped Mathieu oscillator

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Variance of the first-passage time of the undamped Mathieu oscillator

Pontryagin equation with $k = 2$: $M_2 = \mathcal{E} \left\{ t_f^2 \right\}$

$$\left(\frac{H_0}{2} S_u + \frac{S_w}{2} \right) \frac{\partial M_2}{\partial H_0} + \left(\frac{H_0^2}{4} S_u + \frac{H_0}{2} S_w \right) \frac{\partial^2 M_2}{\partial H_0^2} = -M_1 = -\mu_f$$

Asymptotic expansion

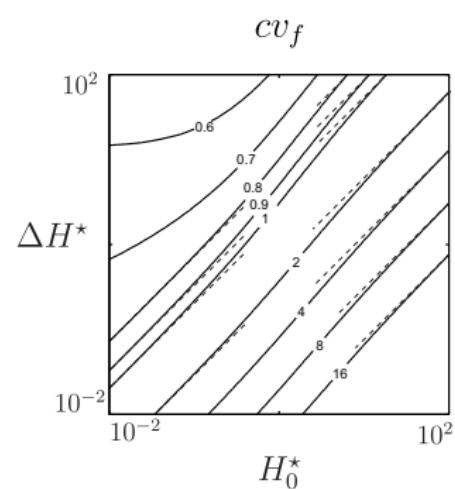
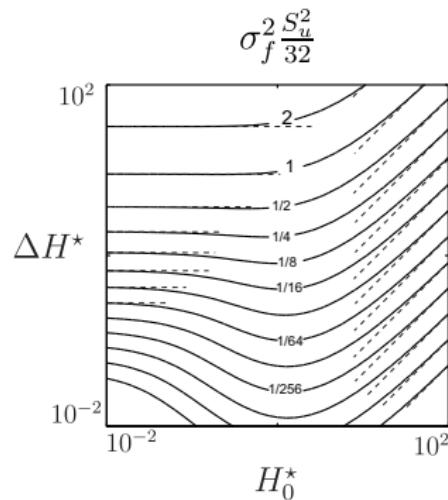
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Analytical expression is established.

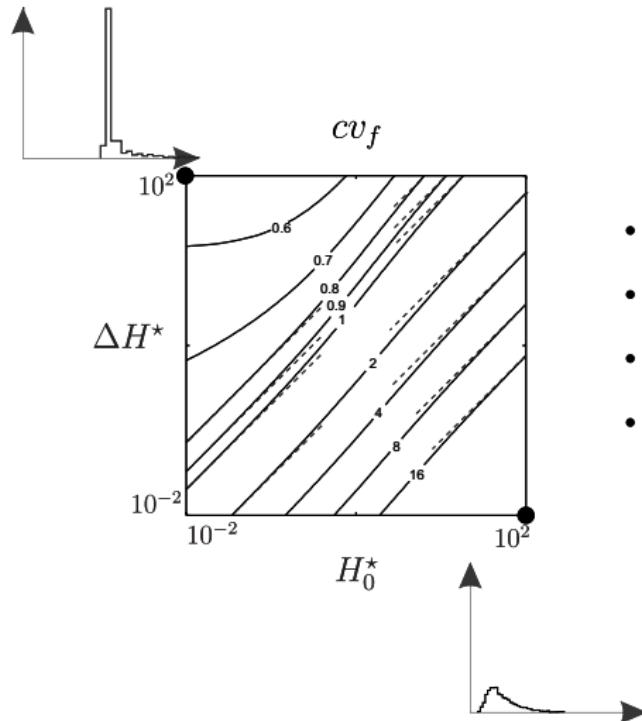
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$$\sigma_f^2 = \mathcal{E} \{ t_f^2 \} - \mu_f^2$$

$$cv_f = \sigma_f / \mu_f$$



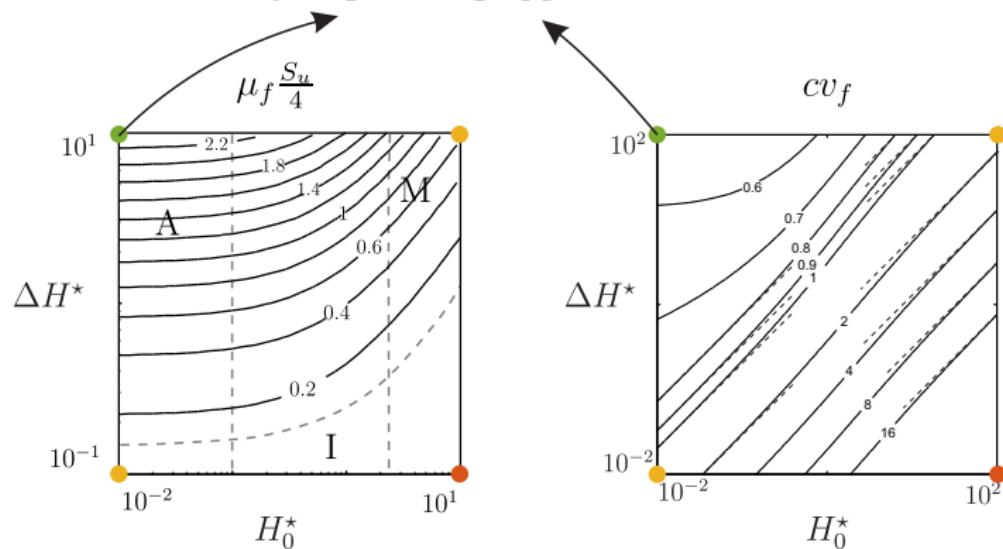
Variance of the first-passage time of the undamped Mathieu oscillator



- Quasi straight lines
- Additive regime
- Large cv_f = spread pdf
- Small cv_f = sharp pdf

Variance of the first-passage time of the undamped Mathieu oscillator

Many engineering applications



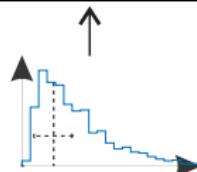
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A numerical approach for the distribution of the first-passage time of more complex systems

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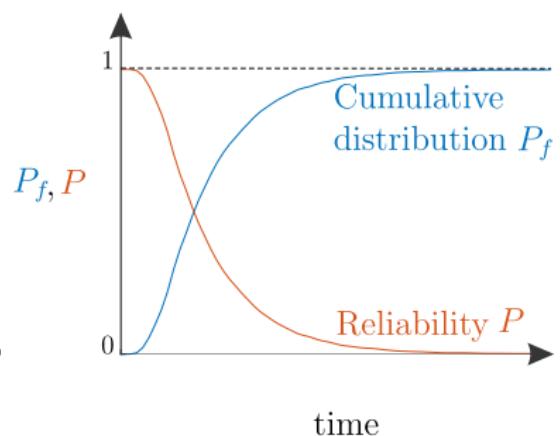
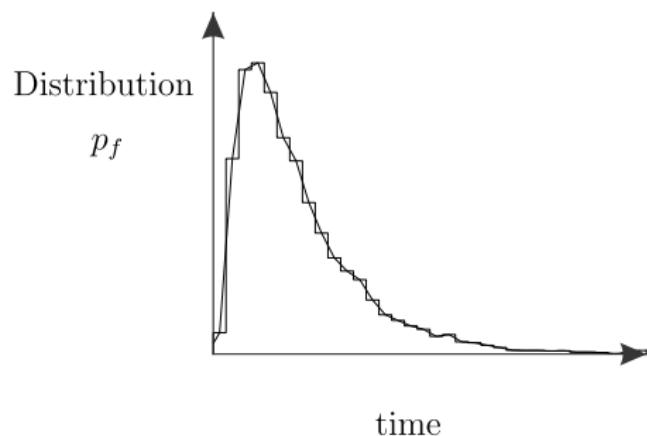
$$S(w; t)$$

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Governing equations

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Equivalent linearization

$$\ddot{x}(t) + \beta_e(H)\dot{x}(t) + \omega_e^2(H)x(t) = w(t)$$

with $H = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{\dot{x}^2}{2\omega_e^2(H)}$

Governing equations

Stochastic averaging

$$\dot{H} = m(H, t) + \sigma(H, t)\eta(t)$$

Backward-Kolmogorov equation

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = m(H_0, t) \frac{\partial P}{\partial H_0} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2(H_0, t) \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial H_0^2}$$

Galerkin scheme

$$P(t; H_0) = P_{lin}(t; H_0) + P_{nlin}(t; H_0)$$

Projection of the linear solution in the eigen basis of the confluent hypergeometric functions $\mathcal{M}(-\lambda_i, 1, H)$

$$P_{lin}(t; H_0) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} T_i(t) \Phi_i(H_0)$$

Time coefficients $T_i(t)$ given by a set of differential equations

In practice limited to a finite number of terms N

Governing equations

By extension

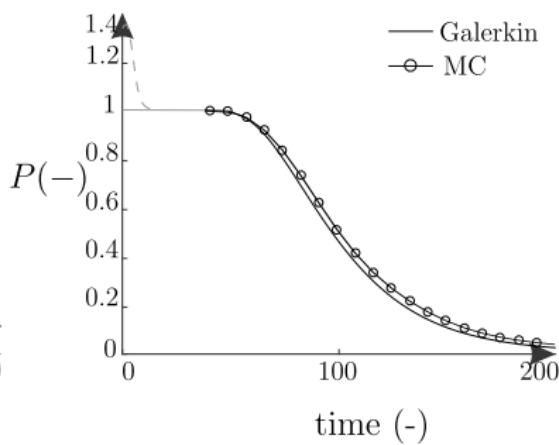
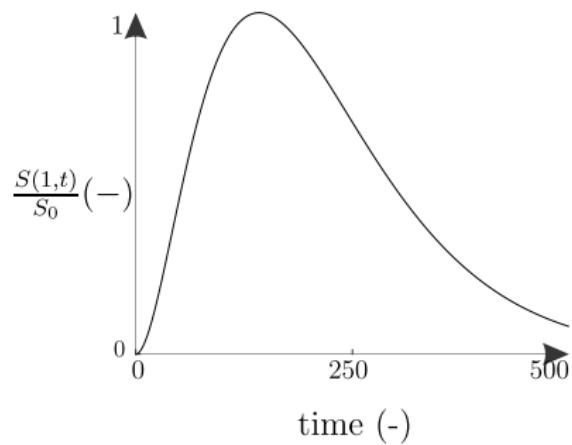
$$P_{nlin}(t; H_0) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i(t) \Phi_i(H_0)$$

Time coefficients $c_i(t)$ given by a set of N coupled differential equations.

$$\dot{\mathbf{c}}(t) = \mathbf{D}(t) \mathbf{c}(t) + \mathbf{e}(t)$$

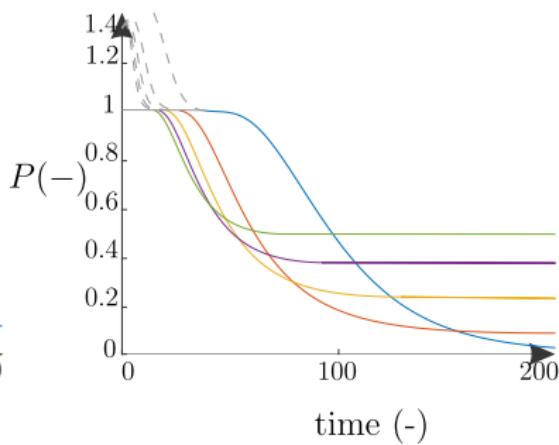
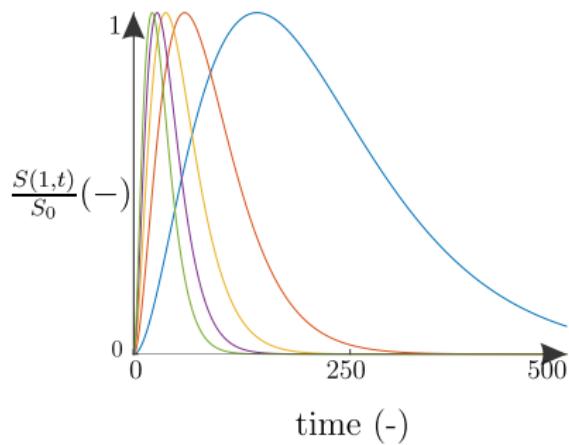
Example of the Duffing oscillator under seismic excitation

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Particular case of the undamped oscillator

New basis of eigenfunctions

$$\text{BesselJ}(0, \sqrt{4\lambda_i H}) = \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{M}(-\lambda_i, 1, H)$$

- ▶ Computationally more simple
- ▶ Implemented in standard softwares
- ▶ Hypergeometric basis is anyway an approximation in the nonlinear case

Alternative formulation of the energy

$$\ddot{x}(t) + 2\xi\dot{x}(t) + x(t) + \varepsilon z(x, \dot{x}) = w(t)$$

$$\ddot{x}(t) + \beta_e(H)\dot{x}(t) + \omega_e^2(H)x(t) = w(t)$$

$$H = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{\dot{x}^2}{2\omega_e^2(H)}$$

amplitude-based formulation

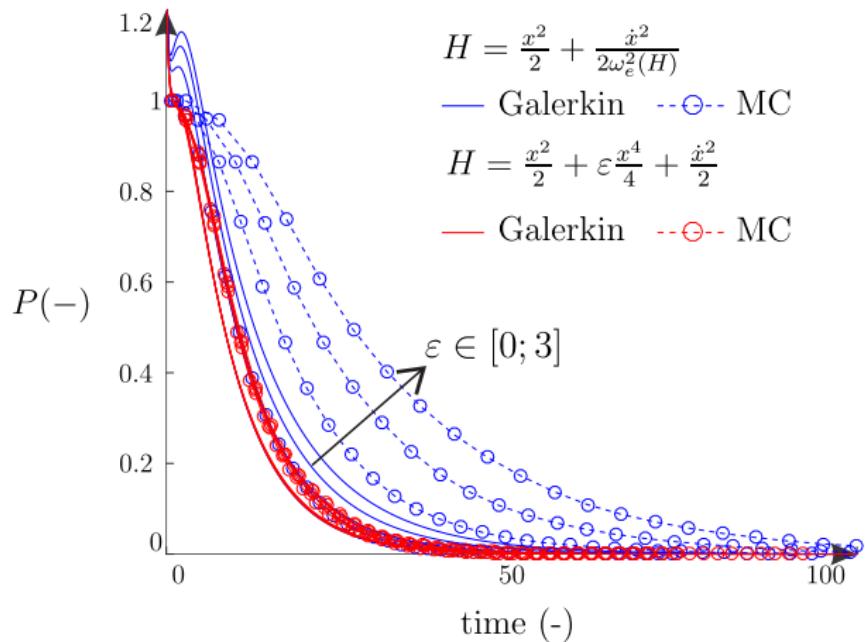
$$u(x) = \int_0^x (y + \varepsilon z(y)) dy$$

$$H = u(x) + \frac{\dot{x}^2}{2}$$

Potential energy envelope formulation

- No statistical linearization
- Restricted to time modulated excitations and nonlinearities in term of stiffness (Duffing)

Alternative formulation of the energy



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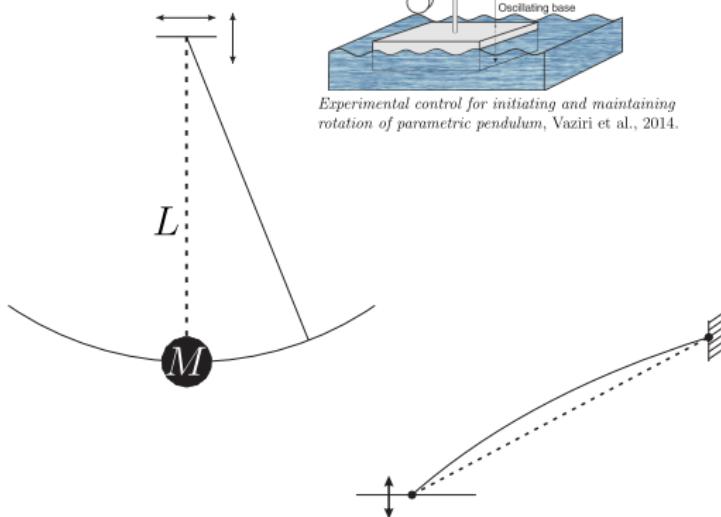
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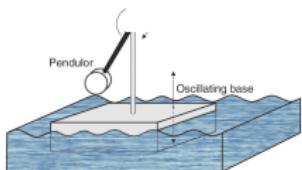
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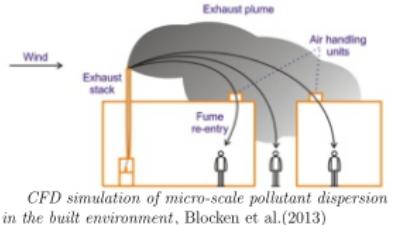
Some applications



Mitigation of the torsional flutter phenomenon of bridge deck section during a lifting phase, Andrianne T. and de Ville de Goyet V., 2016.



Experimental control for initiating and maintaining rotation of parametric pendulum, Vaziri et al., 2014.



CFD simulation of micro-scale pollutant dispersion in the built environment, Blocken et al.(2013)



The tower crane problem

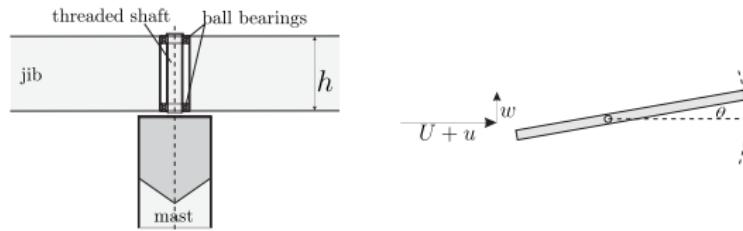
$$I\ddot{\theta} + C\dot{\theta} = M_w = \frac{1}{2}\rho_{air} C_M h B^2 \|\mathbf{v}_{rel}\|^2$$

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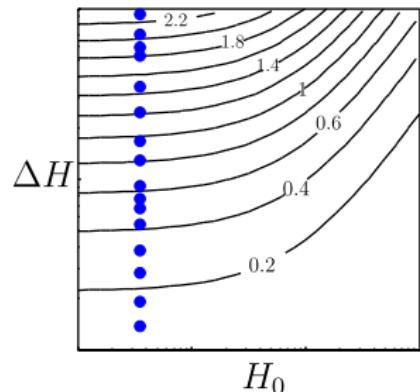
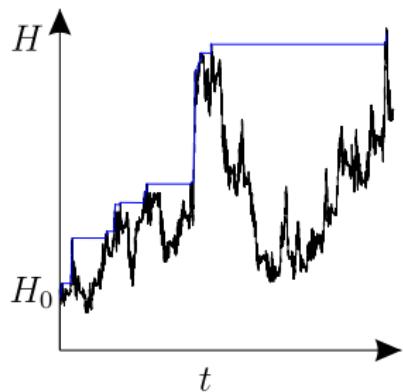
$$I\ddot{\theta} + \left(C + M^* \frac{r}{U} \left(1 + 2 \frac{u}{U} \right) \right) \dot{\theta} + M^* \left(1 + 2 \frac{u}{U} \right) \theta = M^* \frac{w}{U}$$

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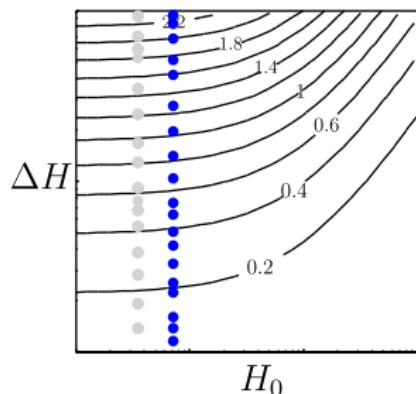
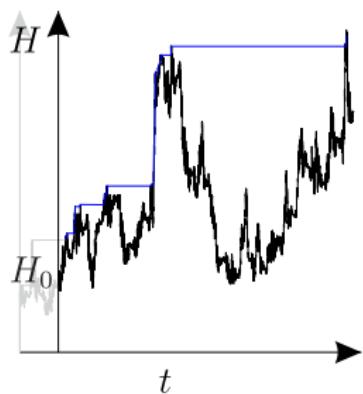
$$\theta'' + 2\xi_s \theta' + (1 + \tilde{u})\theta = -\tilde{w}$$



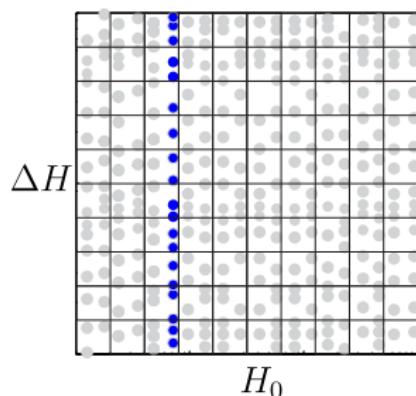
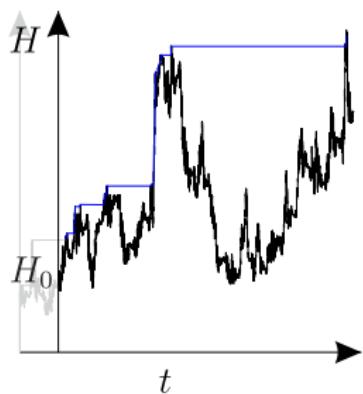
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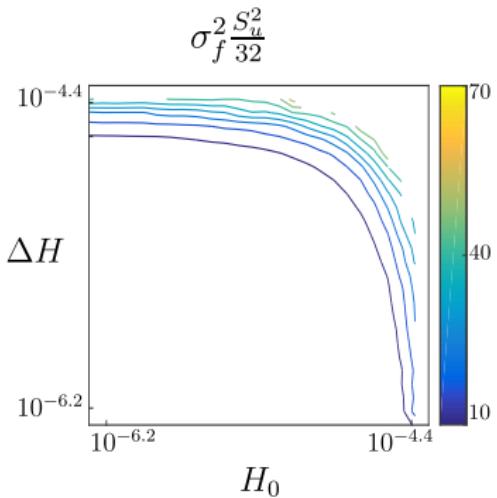
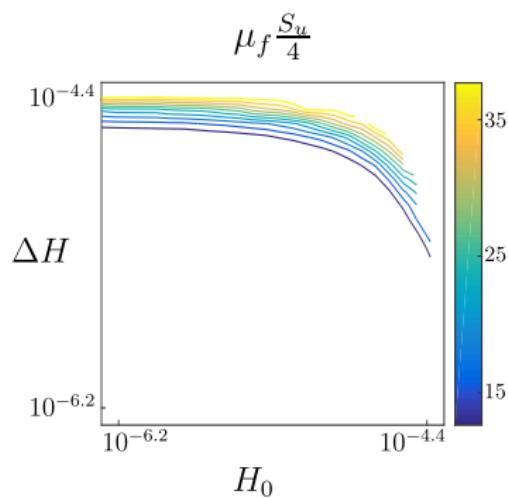
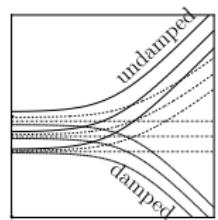
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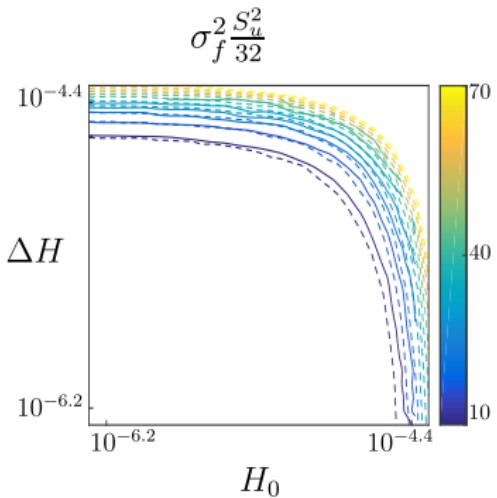
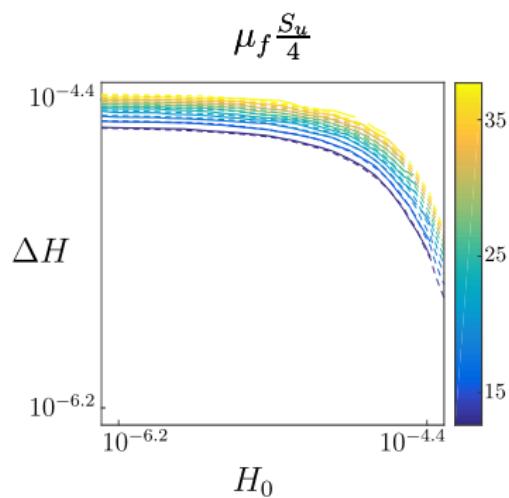
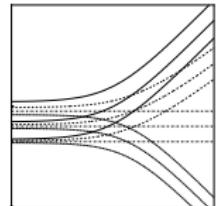
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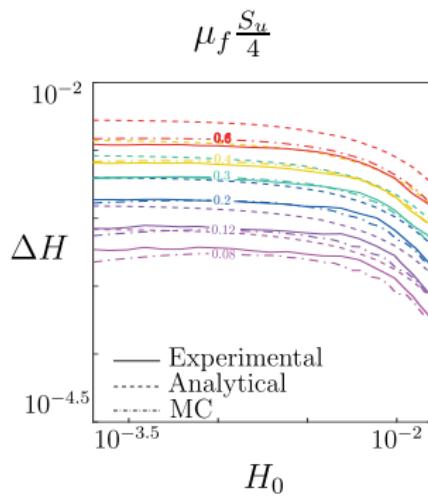
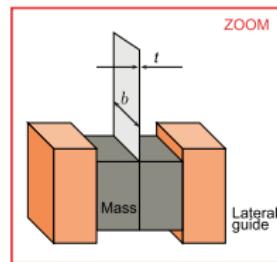
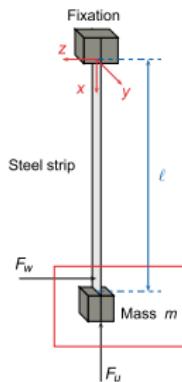
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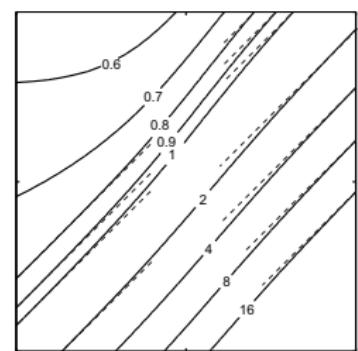
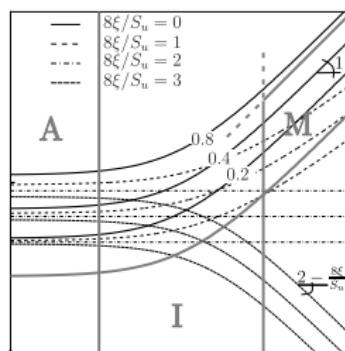
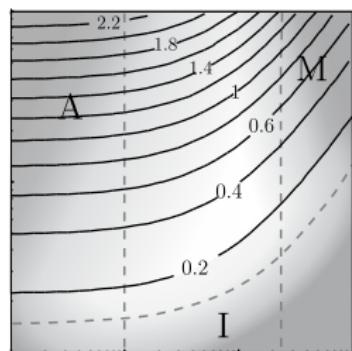
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Conclusion

How much time ?



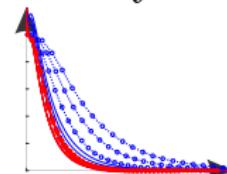
Conclusion

Theoretical frame

analytical solution
maps, reduced energy
regimes

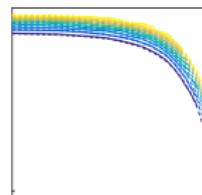
Numerical approach for damped, nonlinear systems under evolutionary excitation

New basis for the undamped case
Two different energy definitions



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Equivalent Mathieu oscillator



Engineering point of view on a mathematical problem

Limitation and perspectives

Theoretical developments limited by increasing complexity
More complex problems can be

reduced to equivalent simple systems
analyzed within developed frame

Perspectives: prediction of equivalent Mathieu oscillator

MDOF systems, colored excitations
analytical expressions for P

Future applications

Monitoring of structures, identification of structural properties,
bridge flutter,...

Thank you!

Backup slide

$$\dot{H} = m(H) + \sigma(H)\zeta(t)$$

Generalized Pontryagin equation

$$m(H_0) \frac{\partial M_k}{\partial H_0} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2(H_0) \frac{\partial^2 M_k}{\partial H_0^2} = -M_{k-1} \quad \text{with} \quad M_0 = 1$$

Boundary conditions

$$M_k(H_0) = 0, \text{ if } H_0 = H_c \quad \text{and} \quad |M_k(H_0 = 0)| < \infty$$

Second condition is qualitative, can be transformed into quantitative condition through

$$\begin{cases} \sigma^2(H) & \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(|H - H_l|^{\alpha_l}), \alpha_l \geq 0, \quad H \rightarrow H_l \\ m(H) & \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(|H - H_l|^{\beta_l}), \beta_l \geq 0, \quad H \rightarrow H_l \\ \frac{2m(H)(H - H_l)^{\alpha_l - \beta_l}}{\sigma^2(H)} & \rightarrow c_l, \quad H \rightarrow 0 \end{cases}$$

For entrance and repulsively natural boundary classes, the second condition can be replaced by the quantitative condition

$$\mathcal{O}(|m(H_0)M'_k(H_0)|) \sim \mathcal{O}(|M'_{k-1}(H_0)|), \quad H_0 \rightarrow H_l.$$