

# Transport dynamics. From the bicircular to the real Solar System problem

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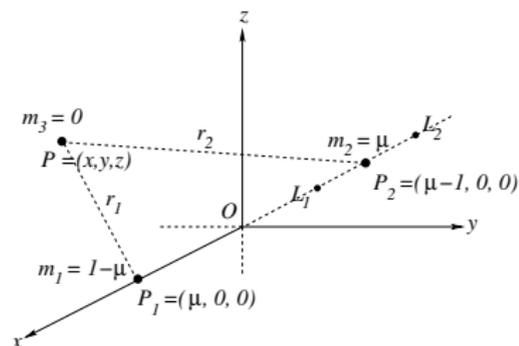
# Motivation

Comets, asteroids and small particles in the solar system are capable of performing transfers from their original location to very distant places:  
*NATURAL TRANSPORT*

## General setting

- ▶ Goal: give a dynamical mechanism to explain transport in the Solar System.
- ▶ Model for the Solar System
  - ▶ Model 1: a chain of Bicircular Problems (BCP) with the Sun, Jupiter, a different planet and a massless particle
  - ▶ Model 2: real JPL Solar system model problem and a massless particle
- ▶ Tools: Dynamical systems theory
  - ▶ unstable invariant objects and their manifolds
  - ▶ equilibrium points, periodic and quasi-periodic orbits

# General framework: theoretical background and models



The **RTBP** Differential equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= p_x + y, & \dot{p}_x &= -\partial H / \partial x, \\ \dot{y} &= p_y - x, & \dot{p}_y &= -\partial H / \partial y, \\ \dot{z} &= p_z, & \dot{p}_z &= -\partial H / \partial z,\end{aligned}$$

Mass ratio:  $\mu = \frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2}$ .

Hamiltonian:

$$H(x, y, z, p_x, p_y, p_z) = \frac{1}{2}(p_x^2 + p_y^2 + p_z^2) - xp_y + yp_x - \frac{1 - \mu}{r_1} - \frac{\mu}{r_2}$$

with  $r_1 = \sqrt{(x - \mu)^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ ,  $r_2 = \sqrt{(x - \mu + 1)^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ .

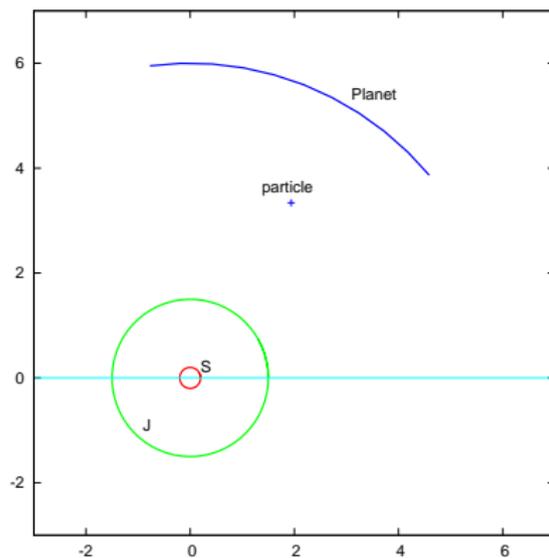
Jacobi constant:

$$C = -2H + \mu(1 - \mu)$$

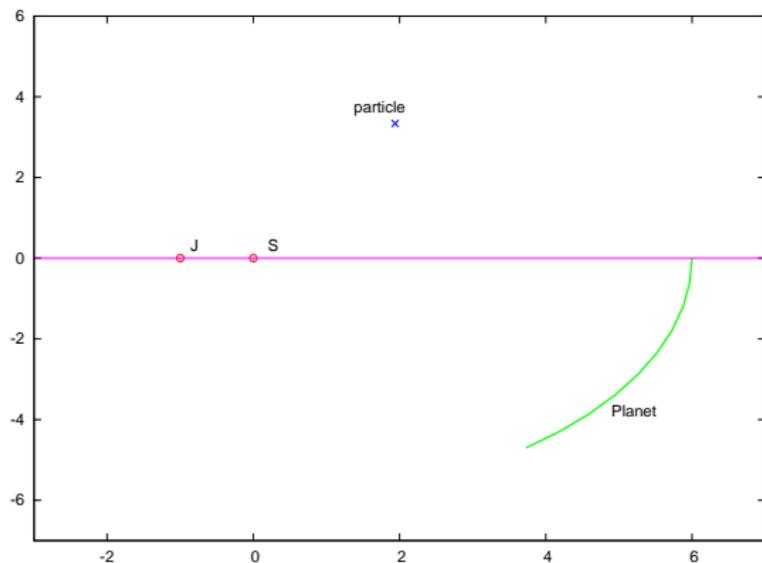
The equilibrium points  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  will play an important role

## Model 2: the BCP

A BCP: Sun, Jupiter, Planet, a particle (S-J-Planet-particle)



# Given a BCP: S-J-Planet-particle in rotating coordinates



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Defining momenta  $p_x = \dot{x} - y$ ,  $p_y = \dot{y} + x$ ,  $p_z = \dot{z}$ , the equations may be written as a Hamiltonian system

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(x, y, z, p_x, p_y, p_z) = & \frac{1}{2}(p_x^2 + p_y^2 + p_z^2) + yp_x - xp_y \\
 & - \frac{1-\mu}{\rho_1} - \frac{\mu}{\rho_2} - \frac{\mu_P}{\rho_P} - \frac{\mu_P}{a_P^2}(y \sin \theta - x \cos \theta)
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

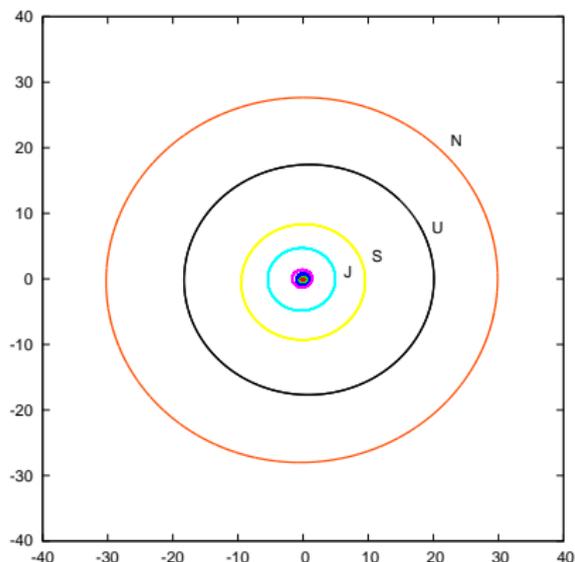
A non autonomous but periodic in  $t$  with period  $T_P = \frac{2\pi}{1-n_P}$   
 $(\theta = \theta_0 + (1 - n_P)t)$ .

## Theoretical background

- ▶ RTBP: Sun, Planet and a particle,  $H_{RTBP}(u, v)$ .
  - ▶  $L_{1,2}$
- ▶ BCP: Sun, Jupiter, Planet (of mass  $m_P$ ) and a particle  
 $H_{BCP}(u, v, \theta) = H_{RTBP}(u, v) + m_P * \bar{H}(u, v, \theta)$ 
  - ▶  $L_{1,2}$  become periodic orbits (PO), called dynamical substitutes.
  - ▶ PO is of type C\*C\*S

## Model: The JPL Solar system

The Solar system. Transport from the exterior region to the interior one  
Planets: Mercury ( $ip = 1$ ), Venus ( $ip = 2$ ),..., Saturn ( $ip = 6$ ), Uranus ( $ip = 7$ ), Neptune ( $ip = 8$ )



## Model: The JPL Solar system

- ▶  $n$  bodies (Sun and planets are taken into account) interacting
- ▶ a particle attracted by them.
- ▶ For any given time, we take the REAL positions and velocities

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  - ▶  $L_1, L_2$  (PO), substitutes (C\*C\*S type).
- ▶ **JPL Solar System + a particle**: quasi-periodic system
  - ▶ the dynamical substitutes are quasi-periodic orbits

### Papers:

- ▶ A. Jorba, C. Simó, *On quasiperiodic perturbations of elliptic equilibrium points*, SIAM J. Math. Anal. 1996
- ▶ A. Jorba, J. Villanueva, *On the persistence of lower dimensional invariant tori under quasi-periodic perturbations*, J. Nonlinear Sci. 1997

## 1st PART: SIMULATIONS WITH (SOME) BCP

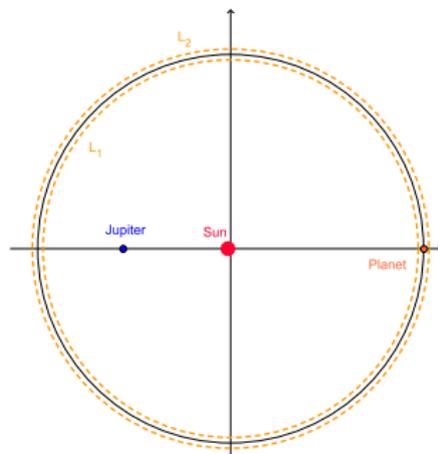
## Methodology to explain transport from Neptune $ip = 8$ to Uranus $ip = 7$ (similarly from $ip$ to $ip - 1$ )

Where do we start? FIRST STEP: Computation of the dynamical substitutes.

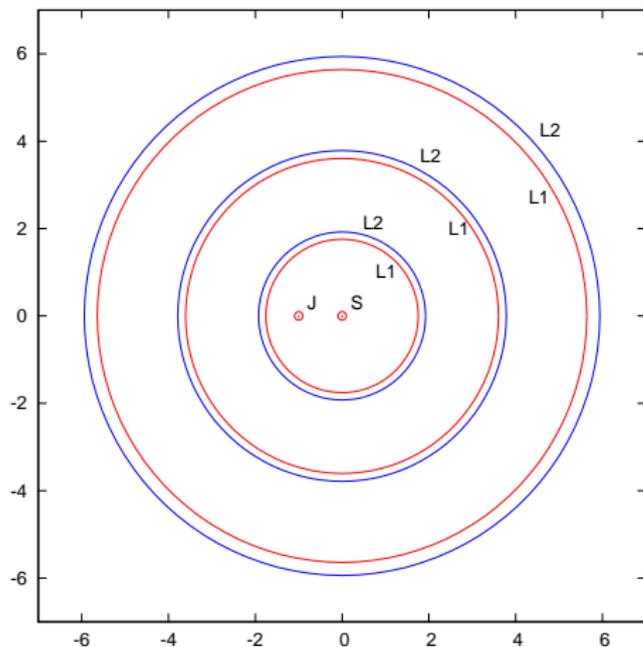
- ▶ Given a BCP: Sun-Jupiter-Planet in rotating coordinates
- ▶  $L_1, L_2$  (for the RTBP: Sun-Planet+particle)  $\rightarrow$  computation of periodic orbits (PO) for the BCP: Sun-Jupiter-Planet+particle (multiple shooting is required)
- ▶ For each BCP, we obtain 2 unstable PO: **dynamical substitutes** of  $L_1$  and  $L_2$

## Given a BCP: Sun-Jupiter-Planet

- ▶ 2 unstable periodic orbits, ie the dynamical substitutes of the equilibrium points  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  of the RTBP



# Dynamical substitutes of L1, L2 for the exterior planets



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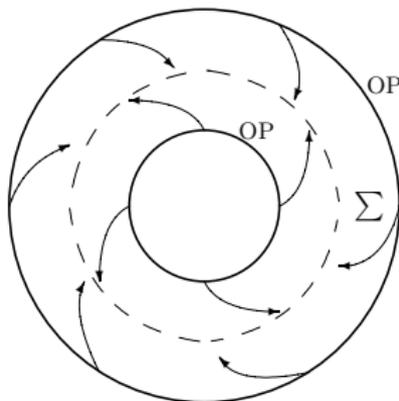
### SECOND STEP

- ▶ Exterior planets: Neptune ( $ip = 8$ ), Uranus ( $ip = 7$ )
- ▶ Consider a Bicircular Problem (BCP) with the Sun, Jupiter, Neptune ( $ip = 8$ ) and a particle
- ▶ Compute the unstable manifold (inwards branch) of PO L1,  $W^u(L1)$
- ▶ Consider a Bicircular Problem (BCP) with the Sun, Jupiter, Uranus ( $ip = 7$ ) and a particle
- ▶ Compute the stable manifold (outwards branch) of PO L2,  $W^s(L2)$

**THIRD STEP:** Look for intersections of invariant manifolds, i.e. heteroclinic orbits

## Transport using Wu and $W^s$

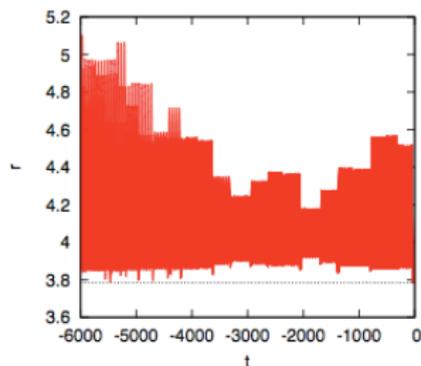
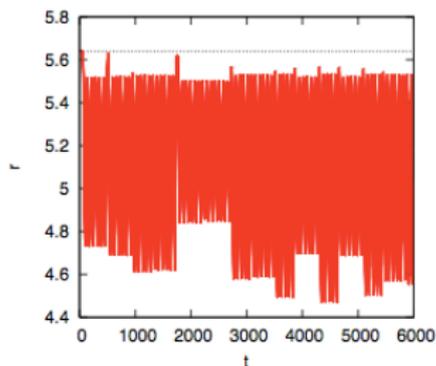
- ▶  $W^u(L1)$  and  $W^s(L2)$  for  $t \in [0, T_{max}]$ .
- ▶ Poincaré section  $\Sigma : r = \text{ctant}$
- ▶ Intersections? Heteroclinic orbits



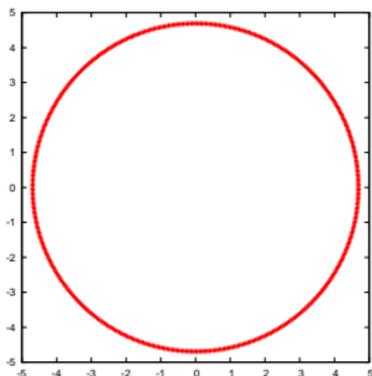
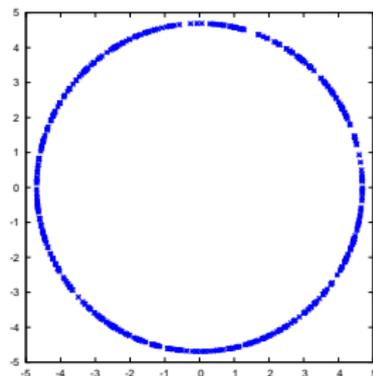
# Some orbits of the manifolds for $t \in [0, T_{max}]$

$$\Sigma : r = 4.7$$

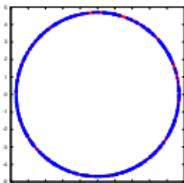
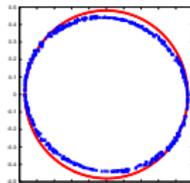
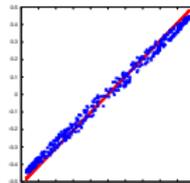
Plot of  $(t, r(t))$



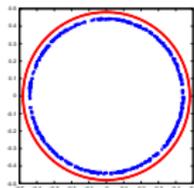
- ▶ A given PO is parametrized by an angle  $\theta$ :  $\varphi(\theta) = \phi_{\frac{\theta}{2\pi}T_P}(q)$ ,  
 $\phi_{T_P}(q) = q$
- ▶ Points in  $\Sigma$  at the FIRST crossing for  $t \in [0, T_{max}]$ ,  $T_{max} = 10000$


 $W^u(POL1) \cap \Sigma, (x,y)$ 

 $W^s(POL2) \cap \Sigma, (x,y)$

- Points in  $\Sigma$  at the FIRST crossing for  $t \in [0, T_{max}]$

 $(x, y)$  $(x, p_x)$  $(x, p_y)$

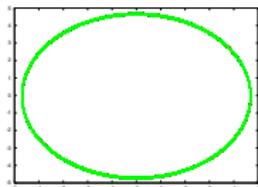
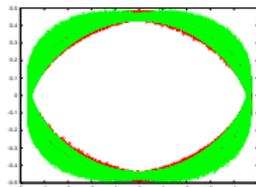
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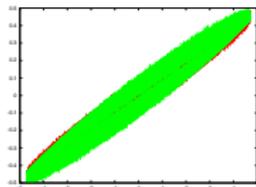
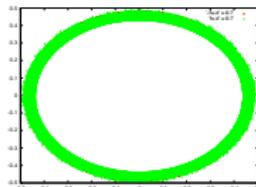
$$(p_x, p_y)$$

So "there are NO" heteroclinic connections (for this interval of time) at first crossing.

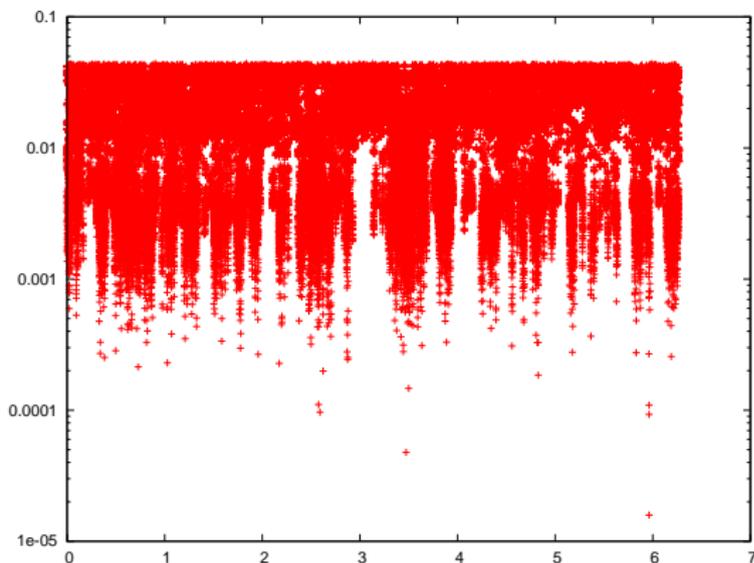
- Points in  $\Sigma$ , ALL the crossings for  $t \in [0, T_{max}]$ ,  $T_{max} = 50000$

 $(x, y)$  $(x, p_x)$

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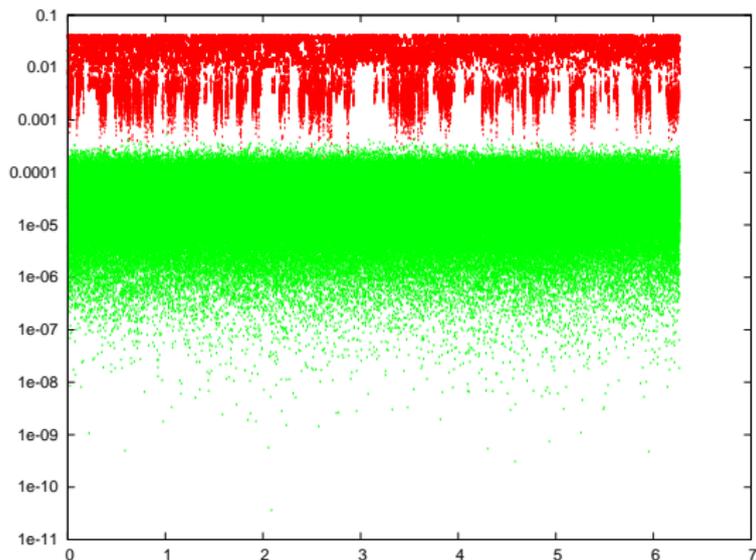
 $(x, p_y)$  $(p_x, p_y)$

Minimum distance between points in  $\Sigma$  for the ALL the crossings for  $t \in [0, T_{max}]$ ,  $T_{max} = 50000$



$$dist_{min} \geq 0.0001$$

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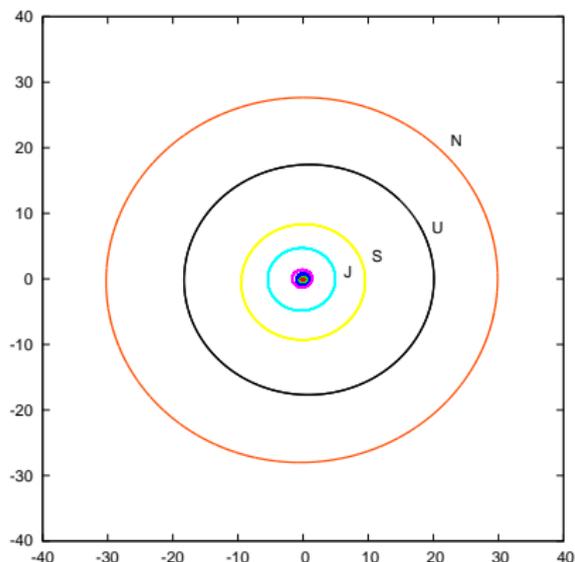
$dist_{min} \geq 0.0001$ ,  $dist_{min,position} = 10^{-11}$ , good enough!

## 2nd PART: SIMULATIONS WITH THE REAL JPL SOLAR SYSTEM

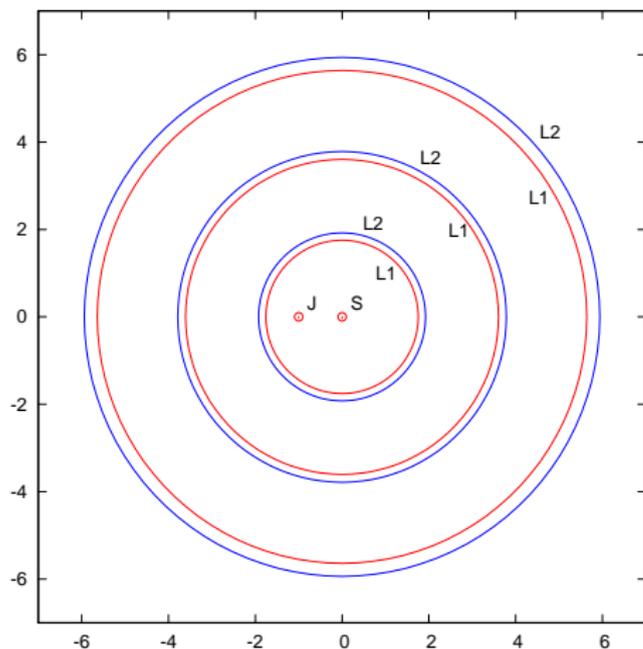
## The JPL Solar system

The Solar system. 3D model. Transport from the exterior region to the interior one.

Sun and planets: Mercury, Venus,....., Saturn, Uranus, Neptune



The JPL Solar System. Transport: the same mechanism.  
Dynamical substitutes of L1, L2 are **quasi-periodic orbits**



## Model: the JPL Solar System

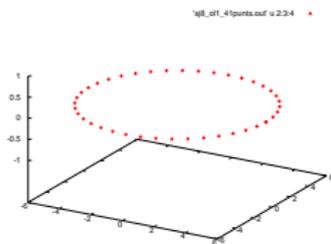
Ingredients and methodology:

- ▶ To fix ideas: let us consider the BCP Sun–Jupiter–Neptune+particle.
- ▶ The dynamical substitutes of  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ : quasiperiodic orbits.
- ▶ We should be able to compute them and their manifolds.
- ▶ Consider the BCP Sun–Jupiter–Uranus+particle, take the associated  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ ,
- ▶ We should compute them and their manifolds.
- ▶ Check possible connections between  $W^u(L_1)$  (N) and  $W^s(L_2)$  (U). Are there other phenomena?

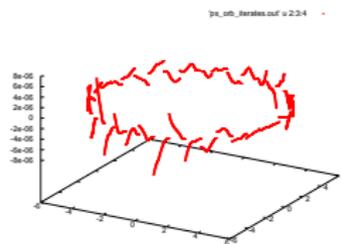
Some simulations. Computation of the dynamical substitutes:

- ▶ Representation:
  - ▶ either **in the synodical Sun-Jupiter RTBP system of coordinates**
  - ▶ or in the JPL coordinates
- ▶ Take the synodical period of Neptune in the BCP
- ▶ take  $n$  points on the PO (of the BCP) as initial seed
- ▶ Refine them using multiple shooting techniques to obtain a *quasi-periodic orbit*

## Multiple shooting

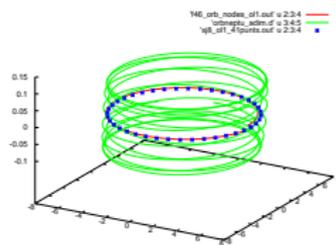
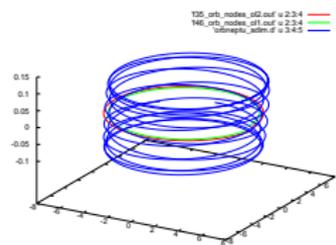


$(x, y, z)$  (BCP)



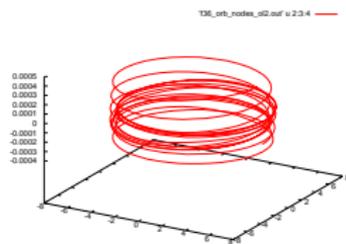
$(x, y, z)$  (JPL)

## Refined Dynamical substitutes and Neptune's orbit (in JPL, rotating system)

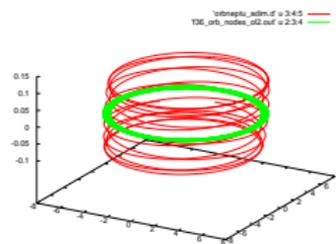

 $(x, y, z) (L_1)$ 

 $(x, y, z) (L_1, L_2)$

**Other DS** Dynamical substitutes and Neptune's orbit (in JPL, rotating system).

We take the inertial period of Neptune.

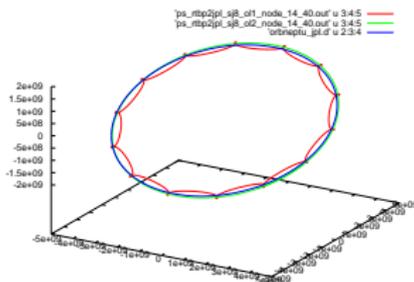


$(x, y, z)$  (DS)



$(x, y, z)$  (DS and Neptune's orbit)

## Representation in JPL coordinates. Dynamical substitutes of L1, L2 and

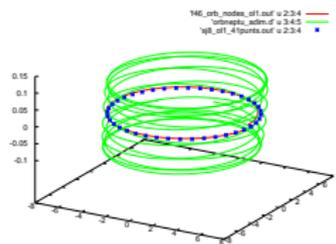


Neptune's orbit

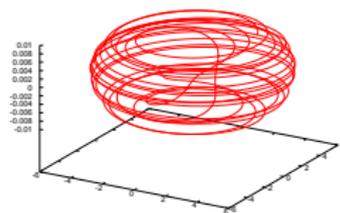
Consider the first DS L1

- ▶ We should like to see the hyperbolic behaviour...BUT
- ▶ Close encounters with other planets play a role

Consider the first DS  $L_1$  (in JPL, rotating system)  
Long time span: 820 years



$(x, y, z)$  ( $L_1$ )



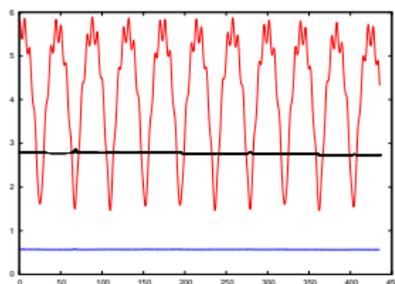
$(x, y, z)$

Consider the first DS L1 (in JPL, rotating system)

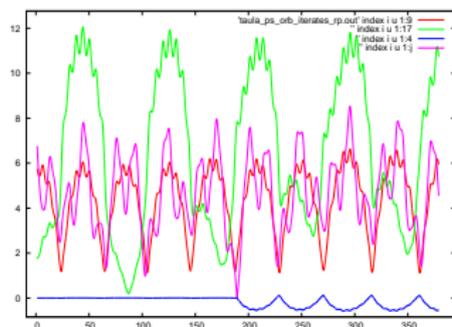
red: distance (particle, Sun)

black: osculating semiaxis ( $a/10^9$ )

blue: osculating eccentricity



- red: distance (particle, Sun)
- green: distance (particle, Neptune)
- pink: distance (particle, Saturn)
- blue:  $z(t)$  (for one of the points of the dynamical substitute)



## Conclusions

- ▶ The behaviour of the manifolds of the Lyapunov periodic orbits in a chain of BCP gives a first mechanism of transport in the Solar System
- ▶ Some numerical simulations in the real Solar Sytem remain to be done...

This is a work in progress, so any suggestions are welcome....

**Thank you!!**