

Phase transitions in random matrices and the spiked tensor model

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Outline

- **Motivating real world scenario:**
Detecting a signal in a noisy/spam filled world
- **Toy Model 1:**
Detecting a spike in Spiked Random Matrices
- **Toy Model 2:**
Detecting a spike in Random Tensors

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in-Ear **Lightning** Earphones
Earbuds Headphones-Mic and
Volume Remote and Noise
Isolation, **MFi-Certified**,
Compatible with iPhone
X/XS/XR/XS Max, 7/7P, 8/8P
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4 customer reviews

Price: **\$20.98**

- 🎵 **PREMIUM SOUND** - Built-in DAC & $\Phi 10$ dynamic driver finely-tuned to produce detailed, crisp and **clear sound** with powerful bass earphone builds in **hands-free microphone and remote control**, allow you to take call, play, pause, volume up and down
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Ethel Stout

The earphones with remote and microphone is my absolute favorite ear pod set. It is light weight so I hardly know I'm wearing it. The ear bud part is just the right size so it doesn't hurt my ears.



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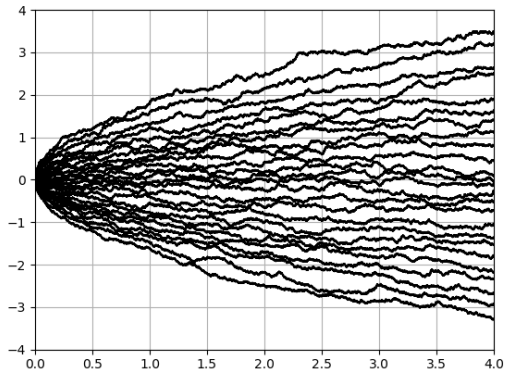
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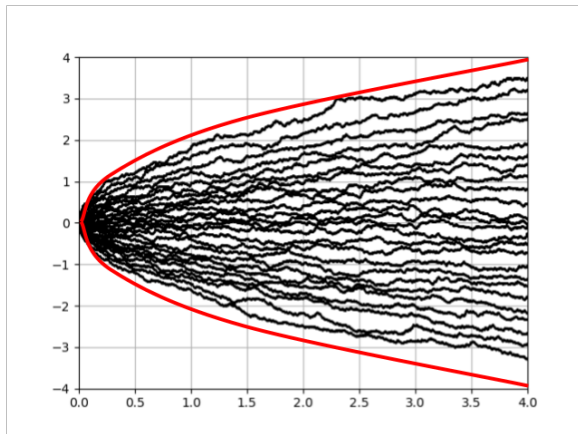
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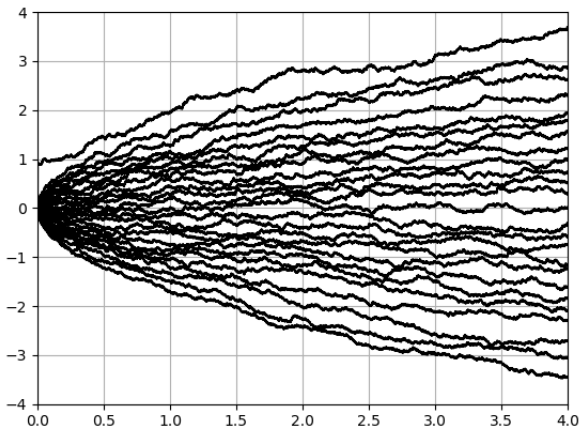
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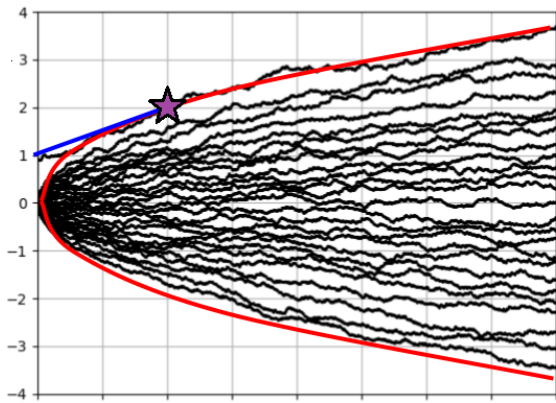
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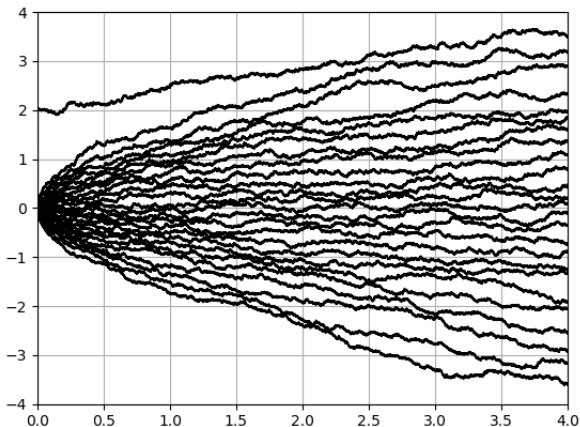
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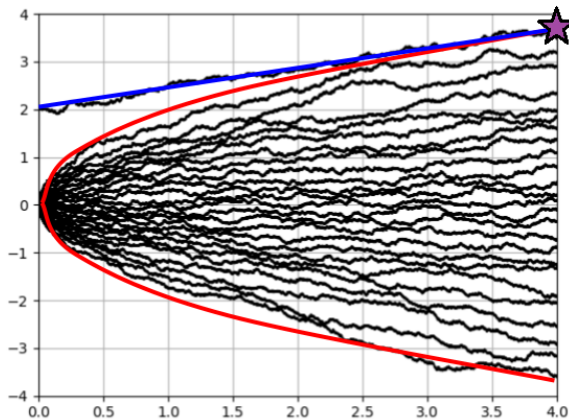
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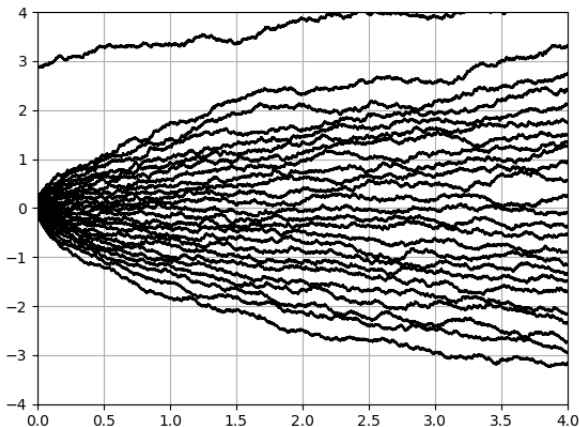
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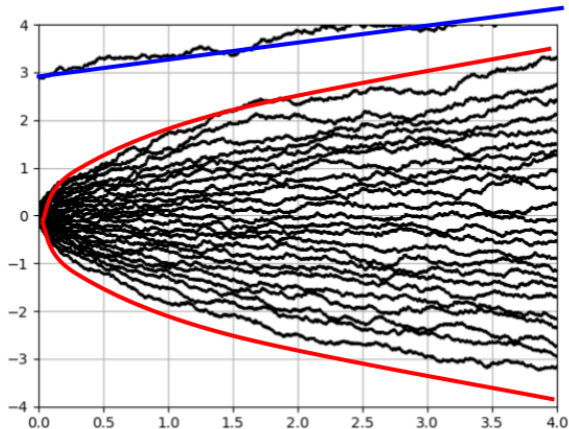
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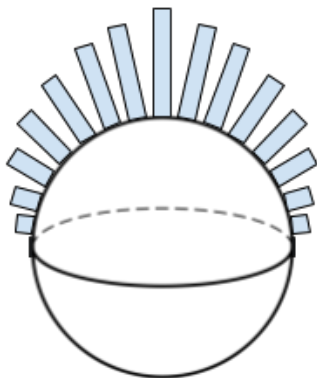
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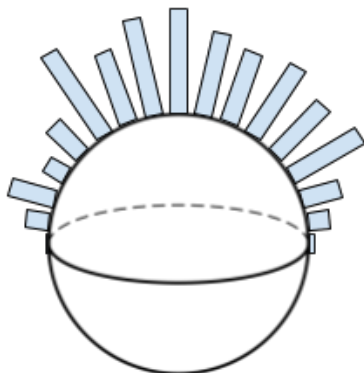
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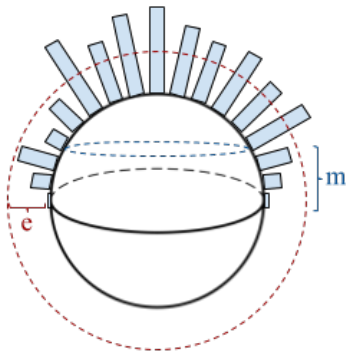
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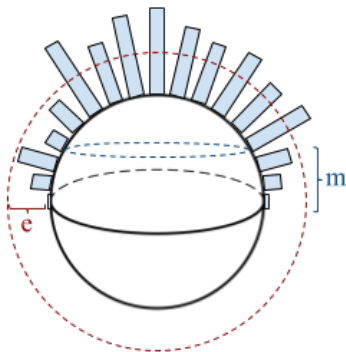


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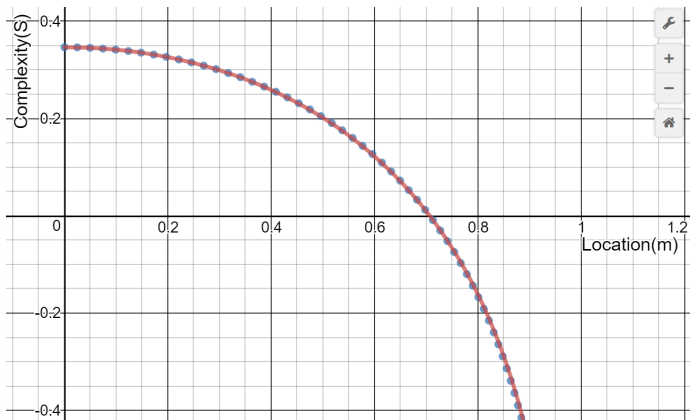
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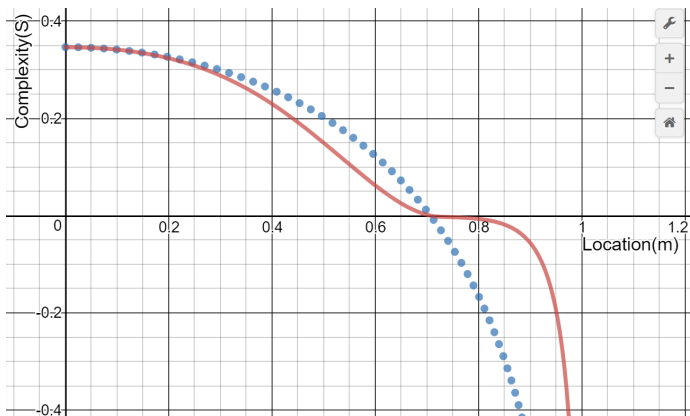
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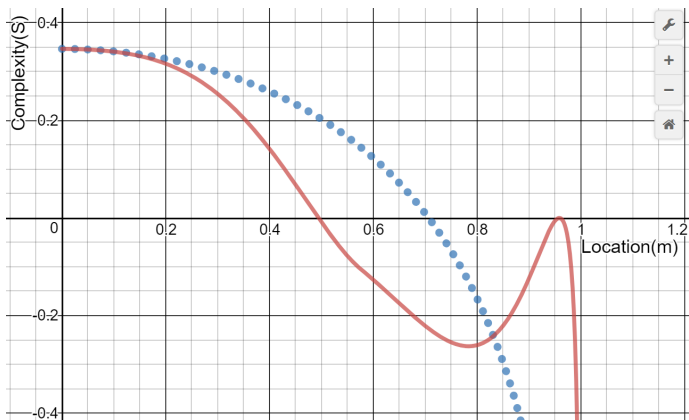
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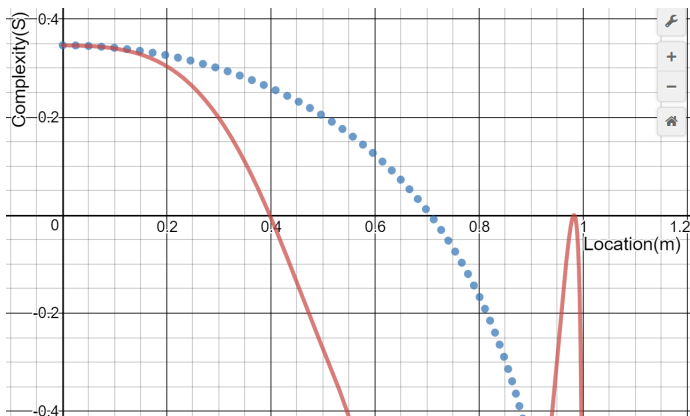
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Location of Critical Points - Results

Corollary

Let:

$$\lambda_c := \sqrt{\frac{1}{2k} \frac{(k-1)^{(k-1)}}{(k-2)^{(k-2)}}}$$

If $\lambda < \lambda_c$ then there are no “good” critical points. If $\lambda > \lambda_c$ then $S_(m) = 0$ at the point where:*

$$m^{2k-4} (1 - m^2) = \frac{1}{2k\lambda^2}$$

Proof Ideas - Kac-Rice Formula

Main Idea, the Kac-Rice formula $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\# \text{ zeros of } f \text{ on } [a, b] = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_a^b |f'(x)| \cdot \delta_{\epsilon}(f(x)) dx$$

where $\delta_{\epsilon}(x)$ is an approximate dirac-delta, $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int \delta_{\epsilon}(x)g(x) = g(0)$.

Proof Ideas

We count zeros of ∇f , so Kac-Rice formula gives:

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{E} [Crt_*(M, E)] \\ &= \int_{\{\vec{u}: \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle \in M\}} \mathbf{E} \left[\left| \det \left(Hess f(\vec{u}) \right) \right| \cdot 1_{\{f(\vec{u}) \in E\}} \mid \nabla f(\vec{u}) = 0 \right] \end{aligned}$$

The Hessian $Hess(f(\vec{u}))$ is a spiked random matrix!

$$Hess(f(\vec{u})) \sim k(k-1)\lambda m^{k-2}(1-m^2)\vec{e}_1\vec{e}_1^T + GOE_{N-1}$$

Use “large deviations” for spiked random matrix to evaluate $\mathbf{E} [Crt_*(M, E)]$

Large Deviation Results Used

The spectrum of the GOE concentrates around the semi-circle law:

$$\mathbf{P}(L_n \notin B(\sigma_{SC}, \epsilon)) \approx \exp(-N^2 C(\epsilon))$$

For the GOE:

$$\mathbf{P}(\lambda_{\max}^{GOE} \geq t) \approx \exp(-N I_1(t))$$

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For the spiked GOE $X = \theta e_1 e_1^T + GOE_N$ we have [Maida '07]:

$$\mathbf{P}(\lambda_{\max}^{\theta-GOE} \leq t) \approx \exp(-N L(\theta, t))$$

$$L(\theta, t) = \begin{cases} \int_{\theta + \frac{1}{\theta}}^t \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2}y\right)^2 - 1} dy - \frac{\theta}{2} \left[t - \left(\theta + \frac{1}{\theta}\right)\right] & 2 \leq t < \theta + \frac{1}{\theta} \\ + \frac{1}{8} \left[t^2 - \left(\theta + \frac{1}{\theta}\right)^2\right] & t < 2 \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \\ 0 & \end{cases}$$

Formulas for S_* and S_0

Recall $\mathbf{P}(\lambda_{\max}^{\text{GOE}} \geq t) \approx \exp(-Nl_1(t))$ and
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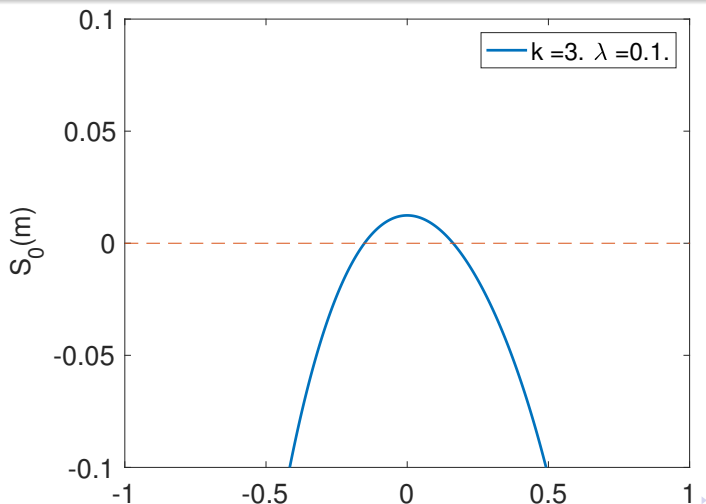
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$$S_0(m, x) = S_*(m, x) - L \left(\sqrt{2k(k-1)} \lambda m^{k-2}(1-m^2), \sqrt{\frac{2k}{k-1}} x \right)$$

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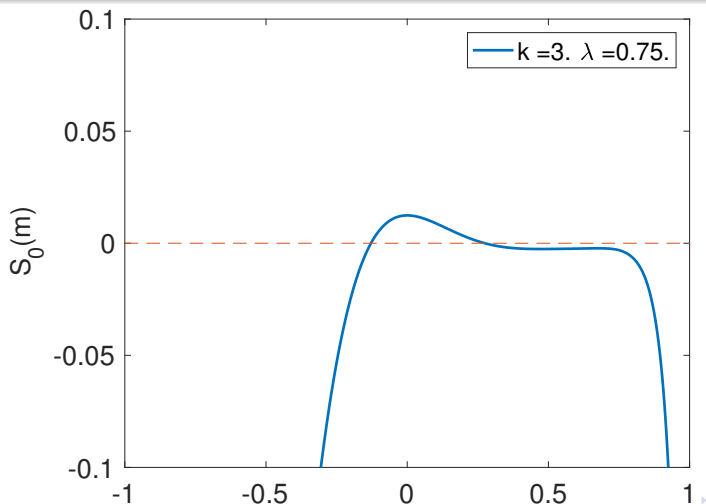
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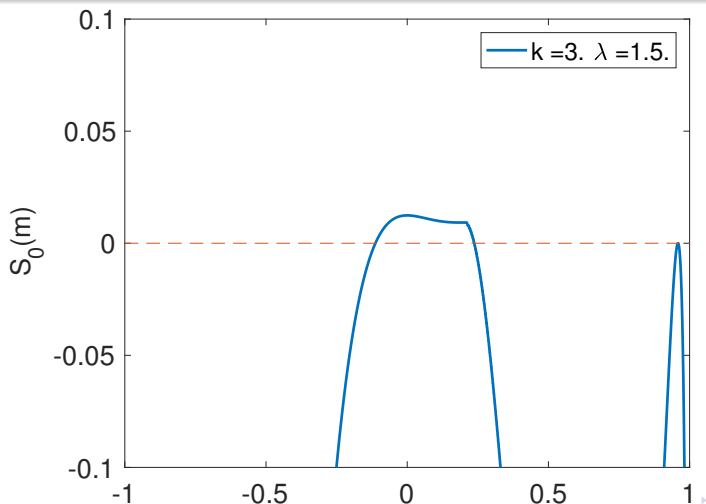
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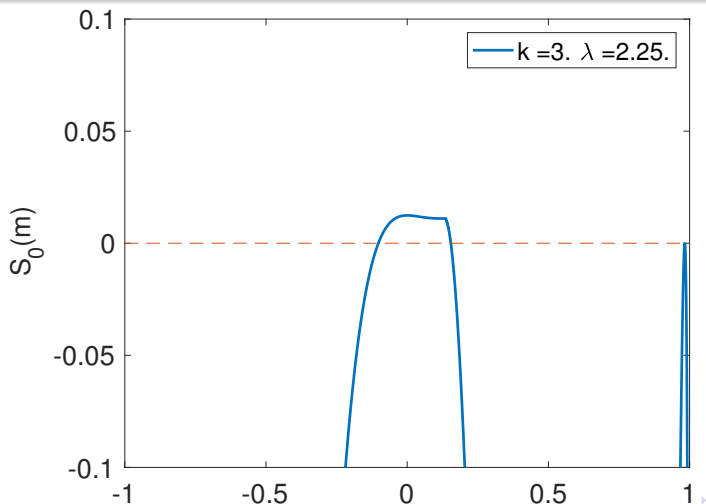
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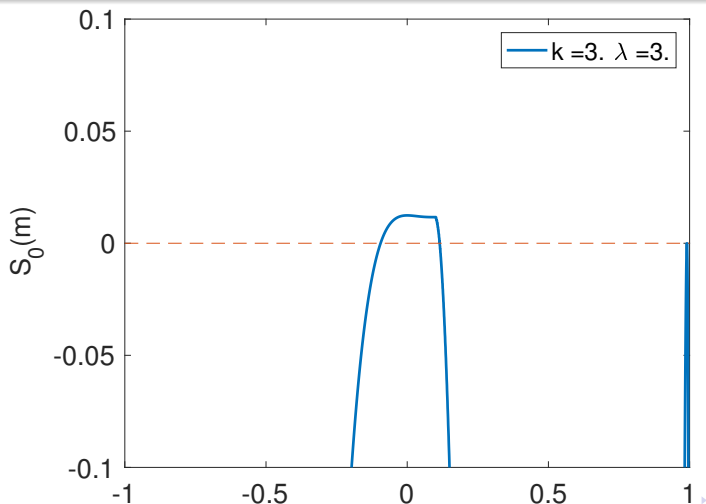
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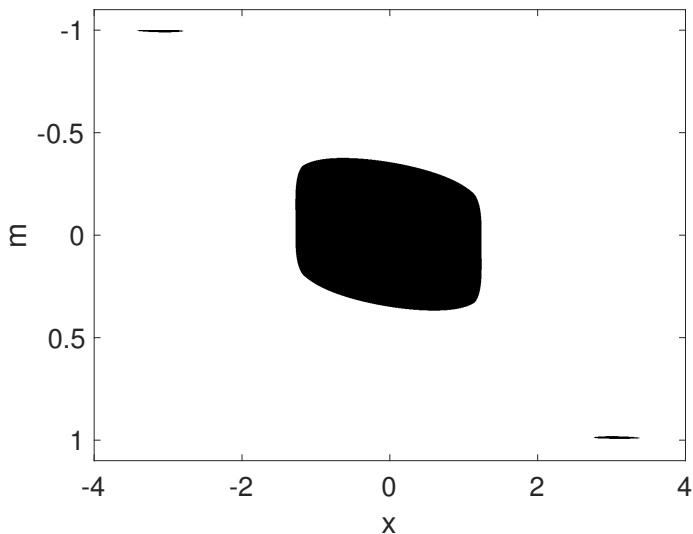
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