

# Sensor Platform Motion Control

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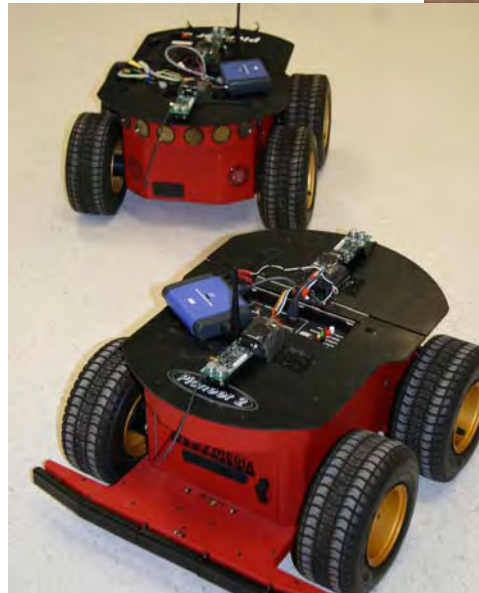
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Dynamics for Nonlinear Sensor Networks

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# Motivation

Synthesize and understand feedback laws for motion pattern generation in networks of sensor platforms.

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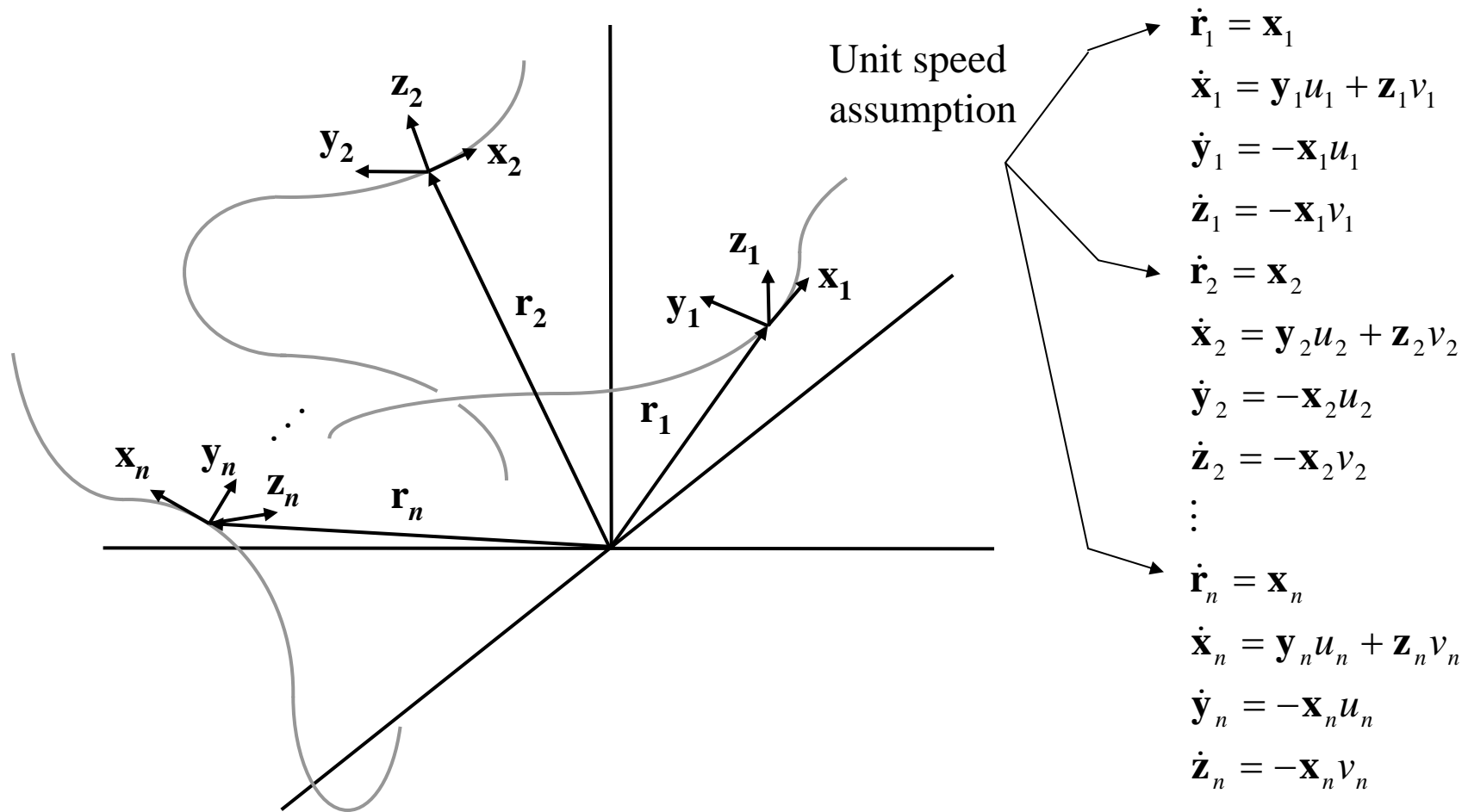


# Outline

- Geometry for Cooperative Control  
Curvature, patterns, and feedback
- Pursuit Laws and Cooperative control  
Pursuit manifolds, accessibility and cohesion
- Mutual Pursuit and a Hamiltonian System  
Symmetry and reduction

# **1. Geometry for Cooperative Control (of sensor platforms)**

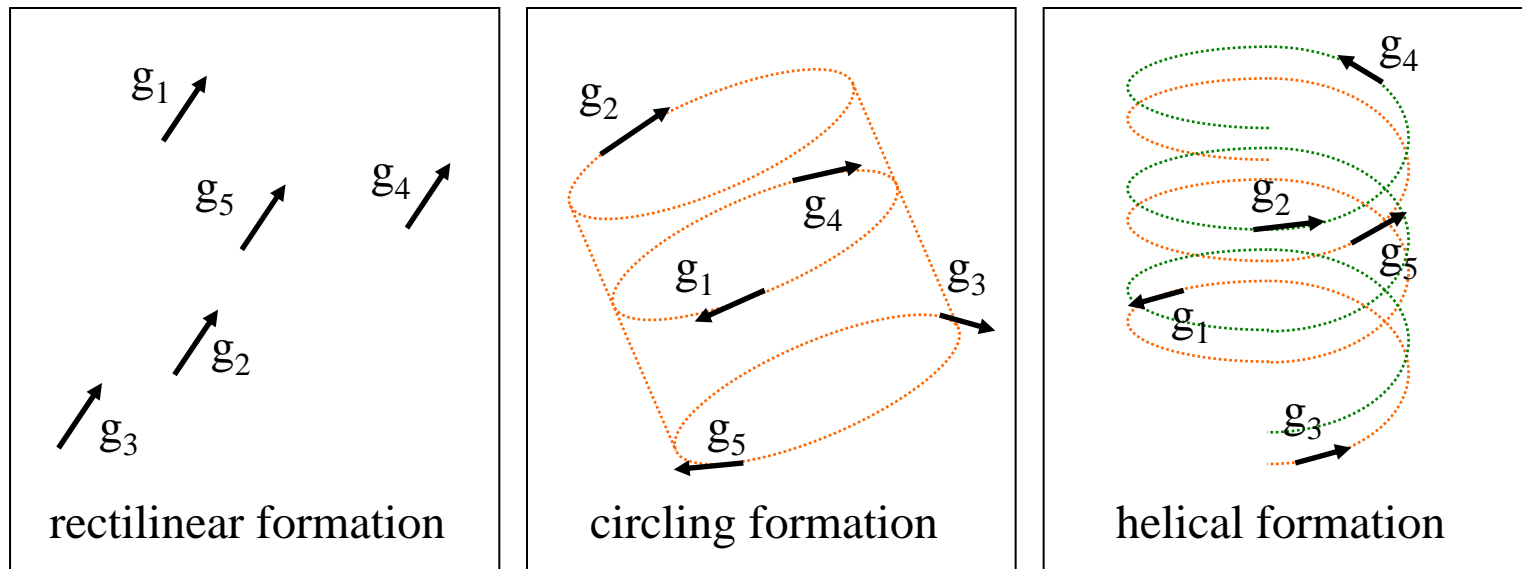
# Platforms as Interacting Particles in 3D



The **natural curvatures** are controls. In general, time-dependent speeds are dictated by propulsive/lift mechanisms. Here we fix speed = 1 for simplicity.

# 3D Equilibrium Shapes

- Control laws are assumed to be invariant under rigid motions.
- Shape variables capture relative distances and angles between particles.
- Shape equilibria correspond to steady-state formations.



Other spatial patterns?

# Interaction (Feedback) Law for 3D

Natural curvatures  
for particle #1:

$$u_1 = -\eta \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \mathbf{x}_1 \right) \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \mathbf{y}_1 \right) + f(|\mathbf{r}|) \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \mathbf{y}_1 \right) + \mu \mathbf{x}_2 \cdot \mathbf{y}_1$$

$$v_1 = -\eta \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \mathbf{x}_1 \right) \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \mathbf{z}_1 \right) + f(|\mathbf{r}|) \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \mathbf{z}_1 \right) + \mu \mathbf{x}_2 \cdot \mathbf{z}_1$$

Natural curvatures  
for particle #2:

$$u_2 = -\eta \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \mathbf{x}_2 \right) \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \mathbf{y}_2 \right) - f(|\mathbf{r}|) \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \mathbf{y}_2 \right) + \mu \mathbf{x}_1 \cdot \mathbf{y}_2$$

$$v_2 = -\eta \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \mathbf{x}_2 \right) \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \mathbf{z}_2 \right) - f(|\mathbf{r}|) \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \mathbf{z}_2 \right) + \mu \mathbf{x}_1 \cdot \mathbf{z}_2$$

Baseline  
alignment

Collision  
avoidance

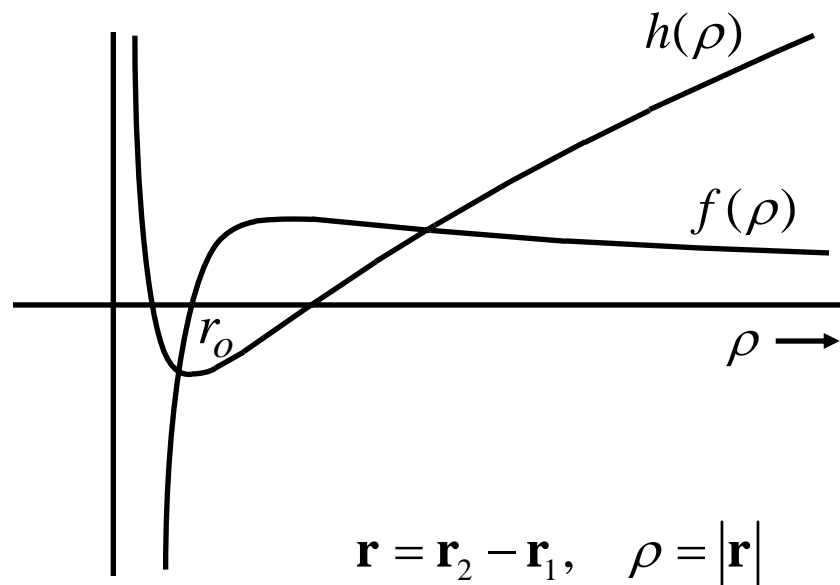
Heading  
alignment

# Lyapunov Function

$$V = \underbrace{-\ln(1 + \mathbf{x}_2 \cdot \mathbf{x}_1)}_{\text{Penalize heading-direction misalignment}} + \underbrace{h(|\mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1|)}_{\text{Penalize inter-particle distances which are too large or small}}$$

Penalize heading-direction  
misalignment

Penalize inter-particle distances  
which are too large or small



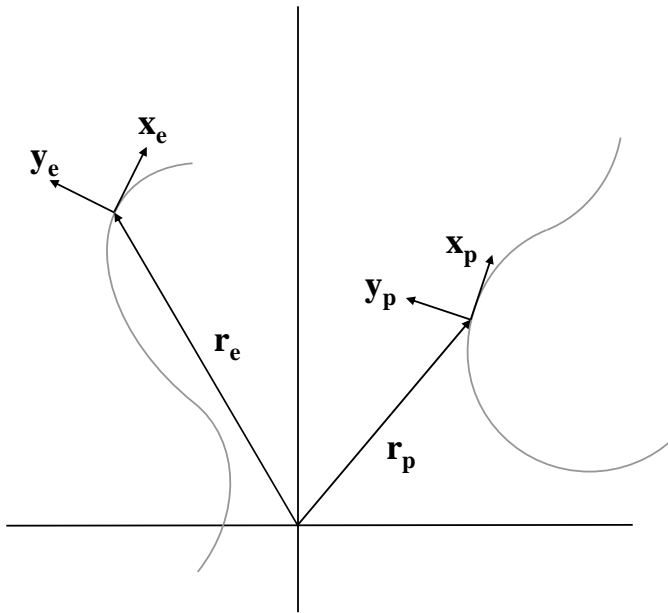
- $V$  depends only on shape variables.
- Idea: show that for suitable choice of control law,  $dV/dt \leq 0$ .
- Justh-PSK (2003-2006).



## **2. Pursuit Laws and Cooperative Control**

# Modeling Pursuit in 2D

Here we specialize the models of section 1 to the plane. The speed ratio is given by  $\nu$ , assumed constant and less than 1 in what follows.

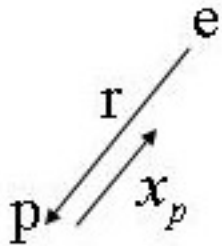


$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{r}}_p &= \mathbf{x}_p \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_p &= \mathbf{y}_p u_p \\ \dot{\mathbf{y}}_p &= -\mathbf{x}_p u_p\end{aligned}\quad (1)$$

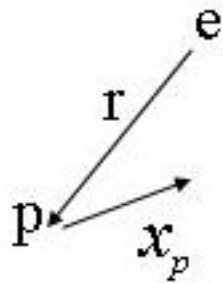
$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{r}}_e &= \nu \mathbf{x}_e \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_e &= \nu \mathbf{y}_e u_e \\ \dot{\mathbf{y}}_e &= -\nu \mathbf{x}_e u_e\end{aligned}\quad (2)$$

$r = r_p - r_e$  is the baseline

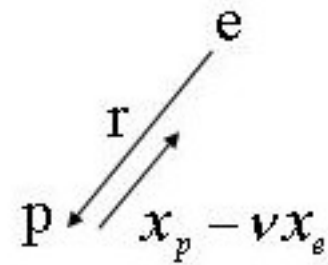
# Three Pursuit Manifolds



Classical Pursuit



Constant Bearing



Motion Camouflage

# A Distance Function

Let 
$$\Gamma \triangleq \left( \frac{d}{dt} |r| \right) / \left| \frac{dr}{dt} \right| \quad (3)$$
$$= \frac{r \cdot \dot{r}}{|r| |\dot{r}|}$$

well-defined on non-collision states.

Observe  $-1 \leq \Gamma \leq 1$  ,  $1 - \nu \leq |\dot{r}| \leq 1 + \nu$

and 
$$1 - \Gamma^2 = \frac{|w|^2}{|\dot{r}|^2}$$

Driving  $\Gamma$  to  $\pm 1$  corresponds to reducing distance to motion camouflage manifold

As	$\Gamma \rightarrow +1$	baseline lengthening
As	$\Gamma \rightarrow -1$	baseline shortening

# Finding a Feedback Law

Under the hypothesis that  $|u_e|$  is bounded, one can justify a simple control law.

$$u_p = -\mu \left( \frac{r}{|r|} \dot{r}^\perp \right) \quad (4)$$

## Definition

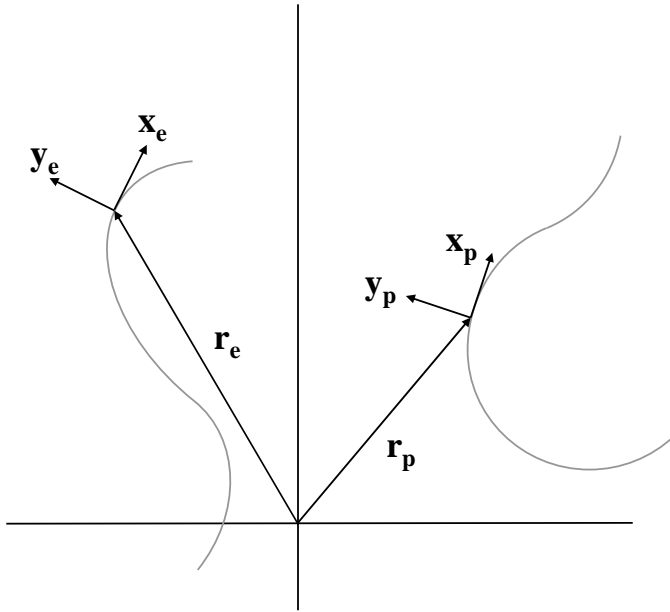
For the pursuit-evader system (1), (2) with  $\Gamma$  defined by (3), we say that motion camouflage is accessible in finite time if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a time  $t_1 > 0$  such that

$$\Gamma(t_1) \leq -1 + \varepsilon$$

**E.W. Justh and P. S. Krishnaprasad (2006), *Proc. R. Soc. A*, 462:3629-3643.**

**P.V. Reddy, E.W. Justh and P. S. Krishnaprasad (2006), *45<sup>th</sup> IEEE CDC*, pp.3327-3332.**

# Proposed Cohesion Law from Pursuit



$r = r_p - r_e$  is the baseline

$$u_p = -\mu \left( \frac{r}{|r|} \cdot \dot{r}^\perp \right) = u$$

$$u_e = -\frac{\mu}{\nu} \left( \frac{r}{|r|} \cdot \dot{r}^\perp \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{r}_p &= x_p \\ \dot{x}_p &= y_p u_p \\ \dot{y}_p &= -x_p u_p \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{r}_e &= \nu x_e \\ \dot{x}_e &= \nu y_e u_e \\ \dot{y}_e &= -\nu x_e u_e \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

### **3. Mutual Pursuit and a Hamiltonian System**

## Dynamics in Mutual Pursuit

$$\dot{r} = g$$

$$\dot{g} = uh$$

$$\dot{h} = -ug$$

Here  $g = x_p - vx_e$  and  $h = y_p - vy_e$ .

Let  $\lambda = \frac{r}{|r|} \cdot h$   $\gamma = \frac{r}{|r|} \cdot g$  and  $\rho = |r|$ .

Note  $u = -\mu\lambda$ .



# Symmetry & Reduction

$$\dot{\rho} = \gamma$$

$$\dot{\gamma} = \left(\frac{1}{\rho} - \mu\right)(\delta^2 - \gamma^2)$$

*Here we have used the conservation law*

$$\gamma^2 + \lambda^2 \equiv \delta^2.$$

# Discrete Symmetry

The system is reversible under the involution

$$(\rho, \gamma) \mapsto (\rho, -\gamma)$$

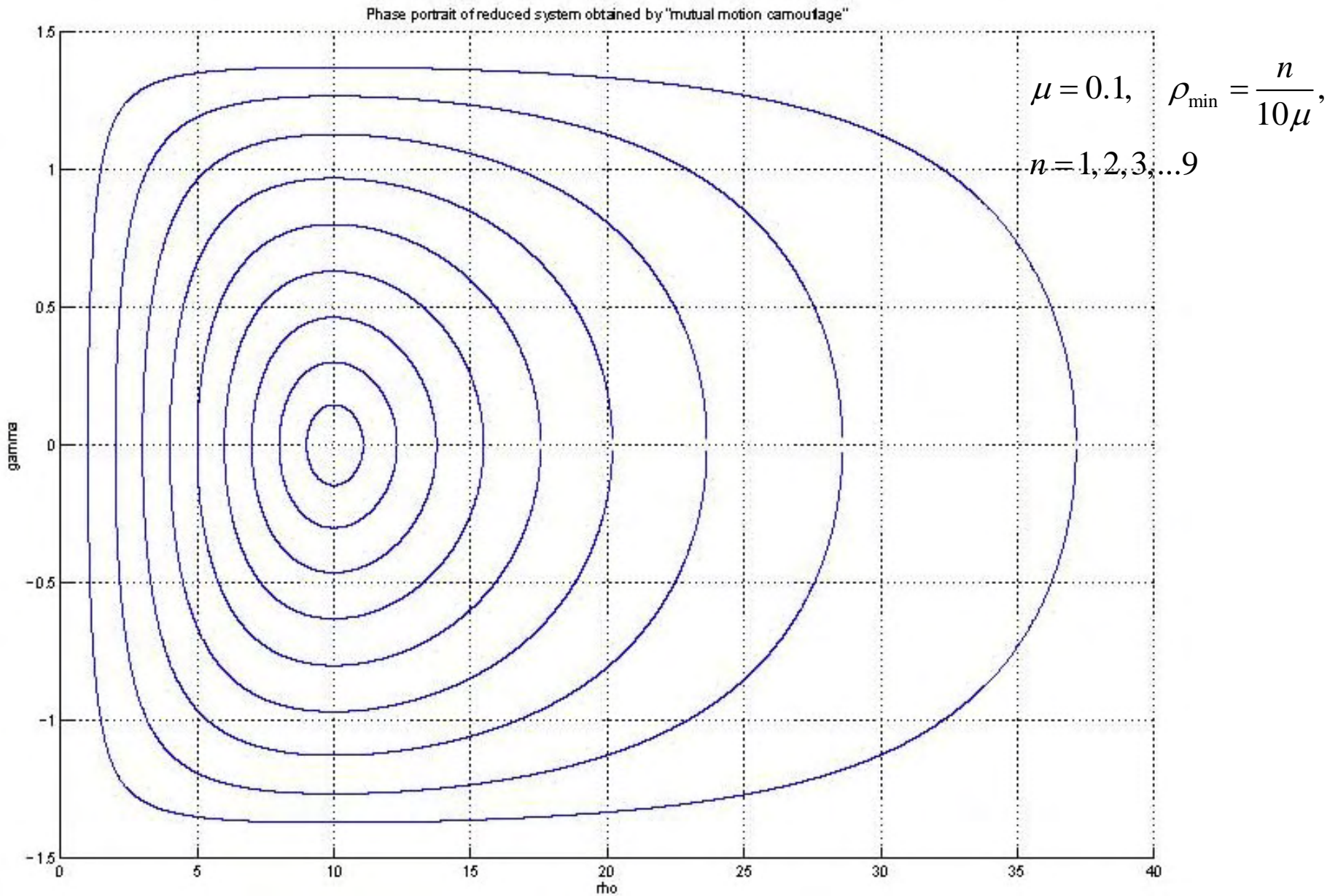
In fact, Birkhoff's theorem applies, and with the exception of two collision/escape manifolds all orbits are periodic. The “energy integral”

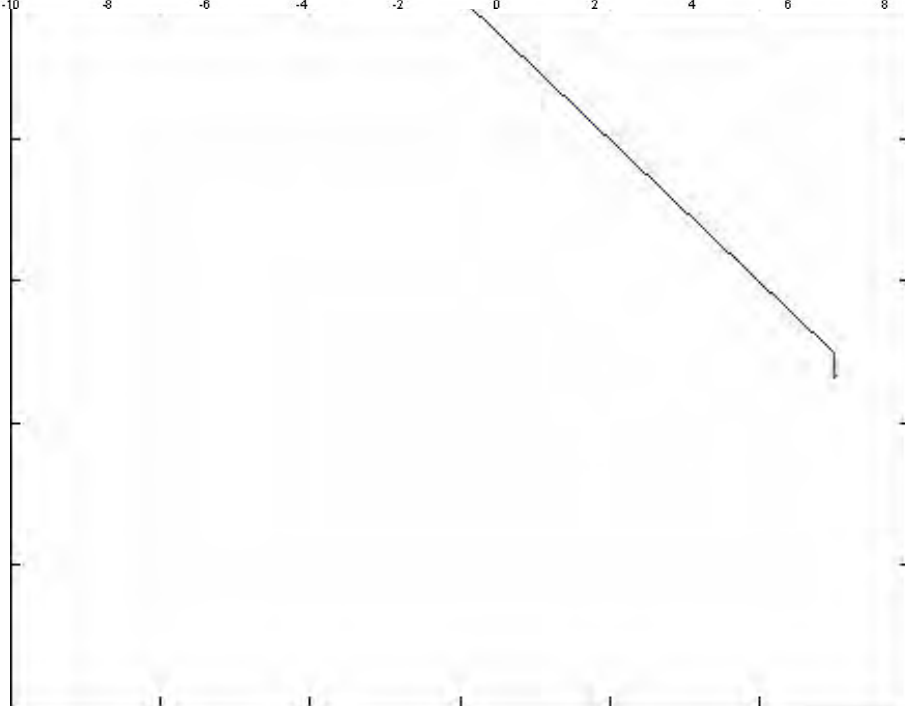
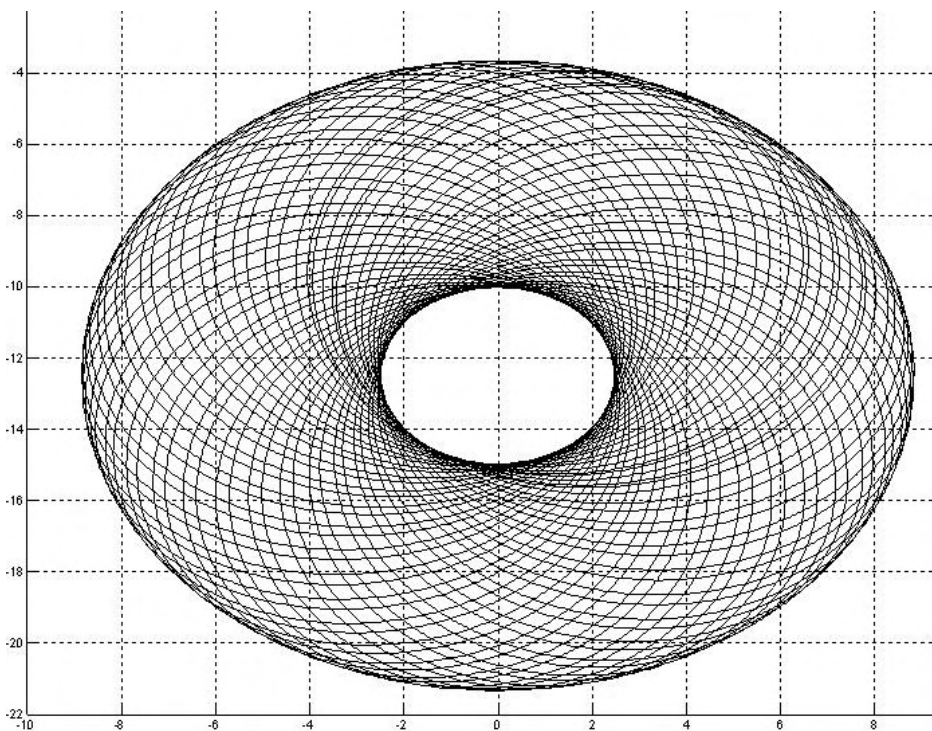
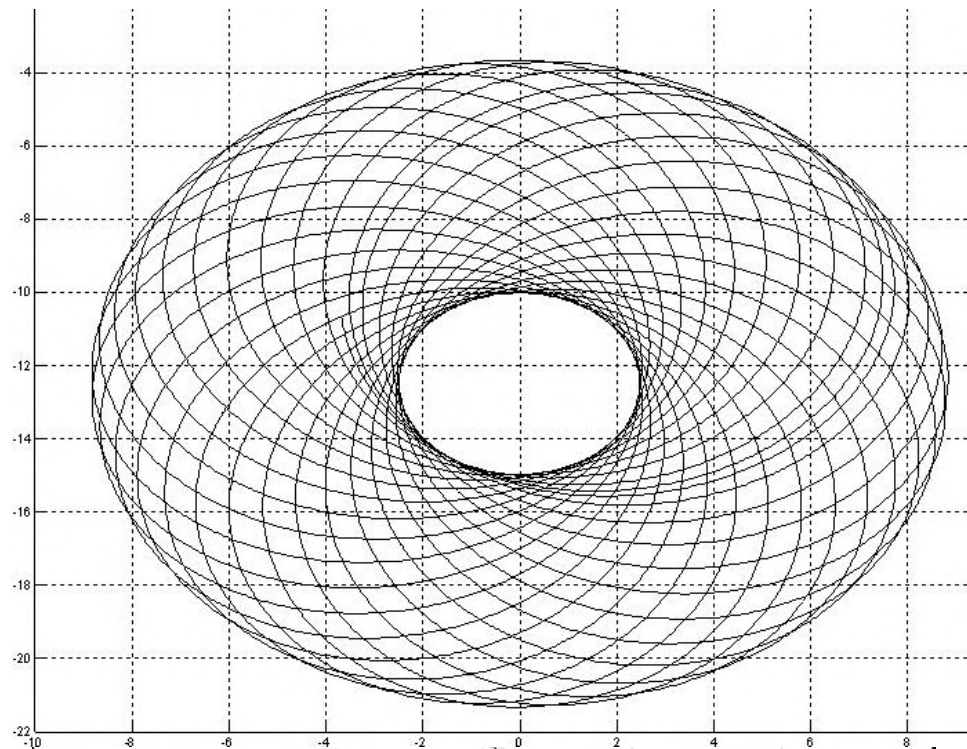
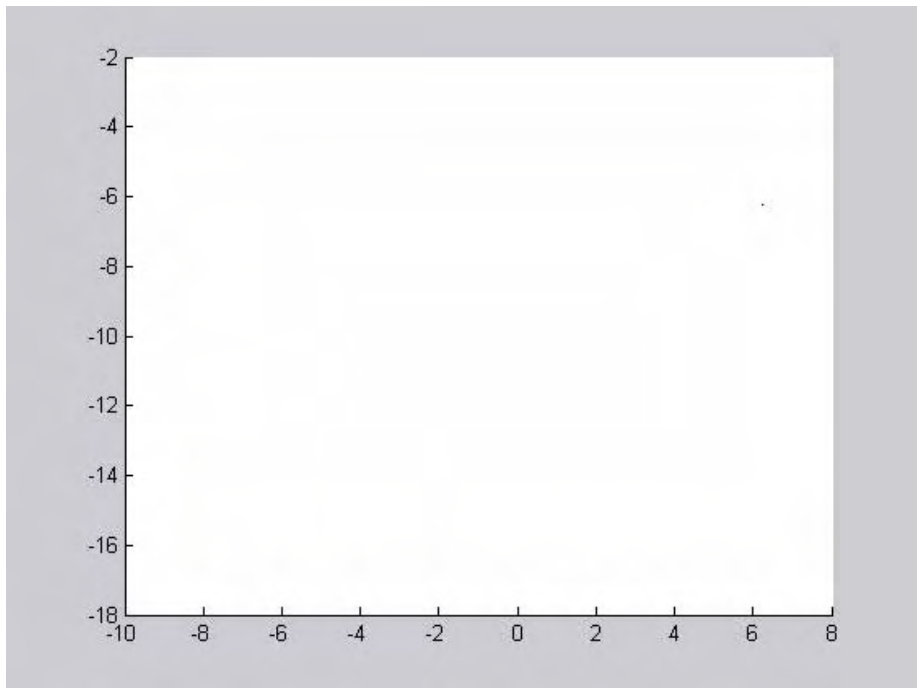
$$E(\rho, \gamma) = \rho^2 (\delta^2 - \gamma^2) \exp(-2\mu\rho)$$

implies a Poisson bracket

$$\{\rho, \gamma\} = -\frac{\exp(2\mu\rho)}{2\rho^2}$$

# Phase portrait of reduced system





## Ongoing Work, Collaborations, and Support

- Dynamics of center of mass, dissipation, and stabilizing specific periodic orbits (Matteo Mischianti, G3) – see poster
- Many-body network coupling (Dr. Eric Justh, NRL), and relationship to earlier feedback laws for cohesion
- Alternative mutual pursuit mechanisms (Kevin Galloway, G5) – see poster

See also poster of Dr. Arash Komae on stochastic control over free space optical links

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