

Theory of Stellar Oscillations

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LINEAR ADIABATIC STELLAR PULSATION

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Asteroseismology



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Brief introduction

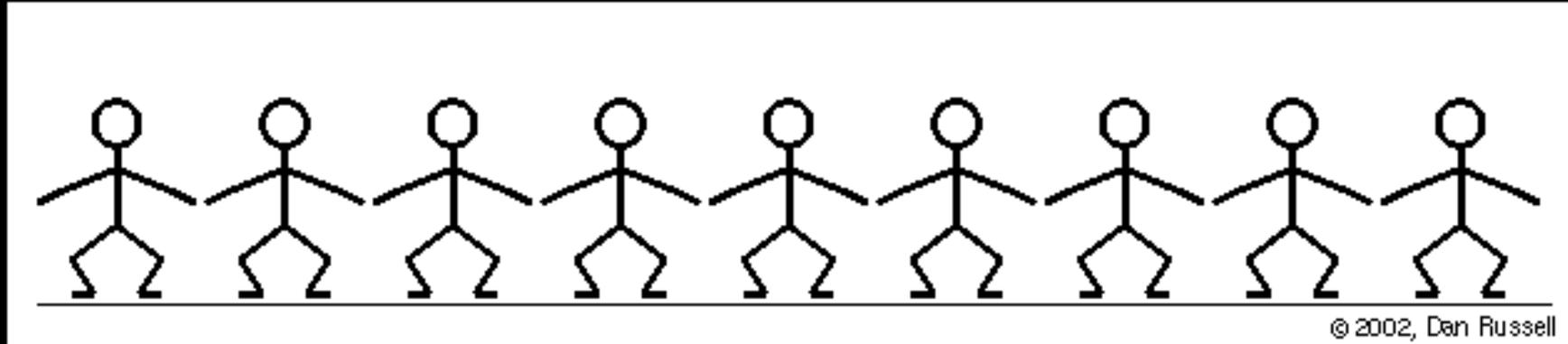
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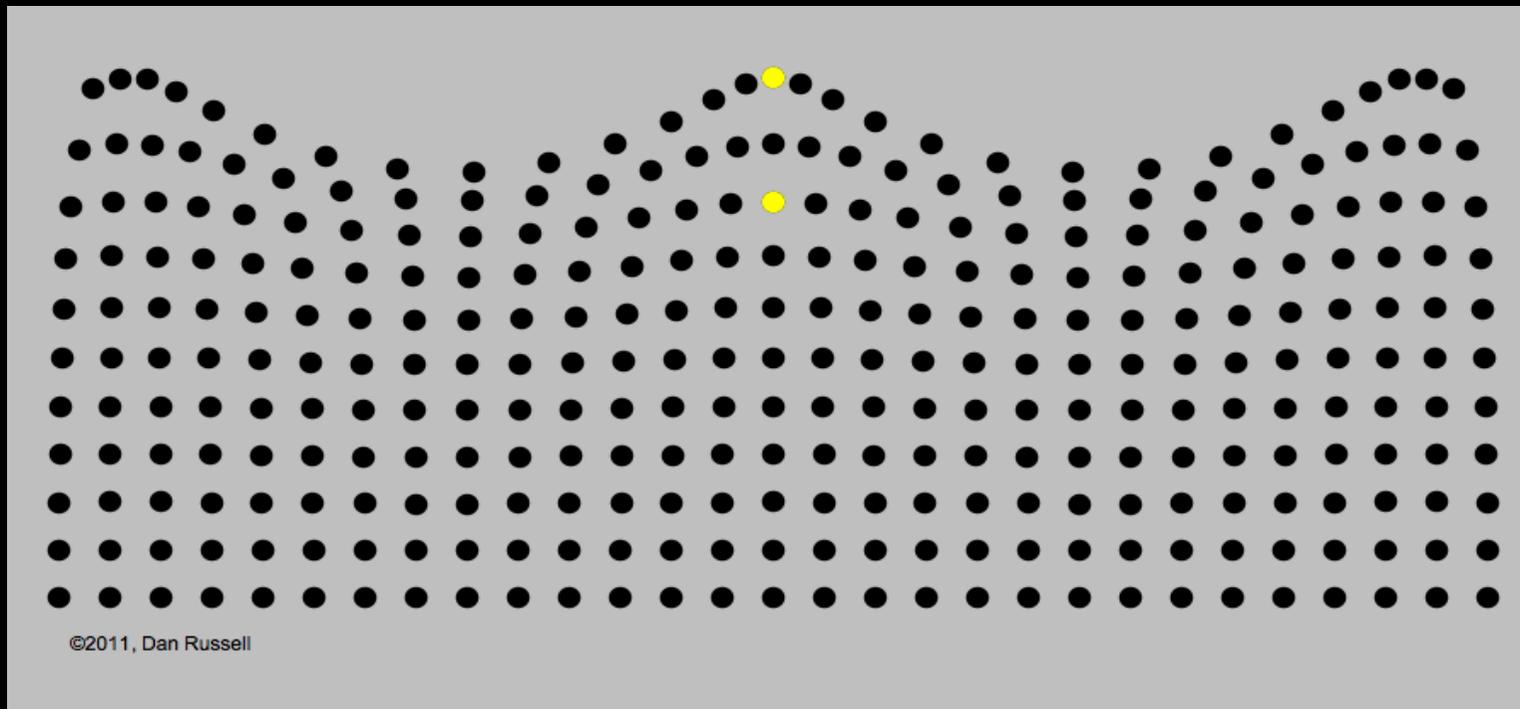
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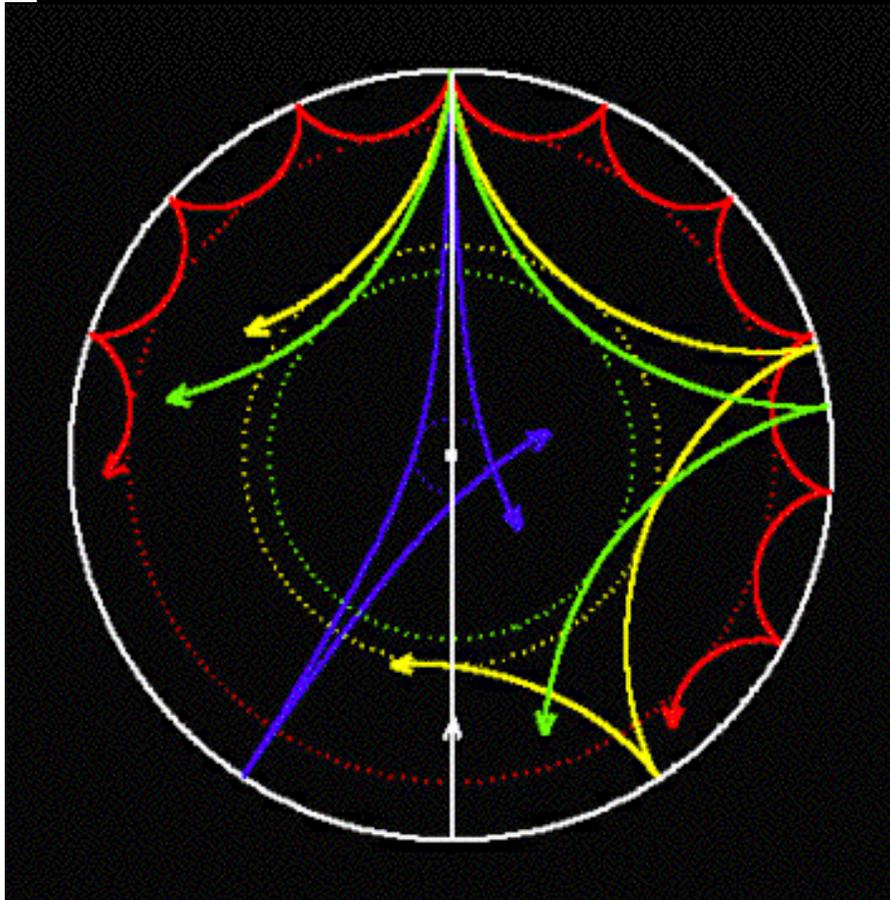
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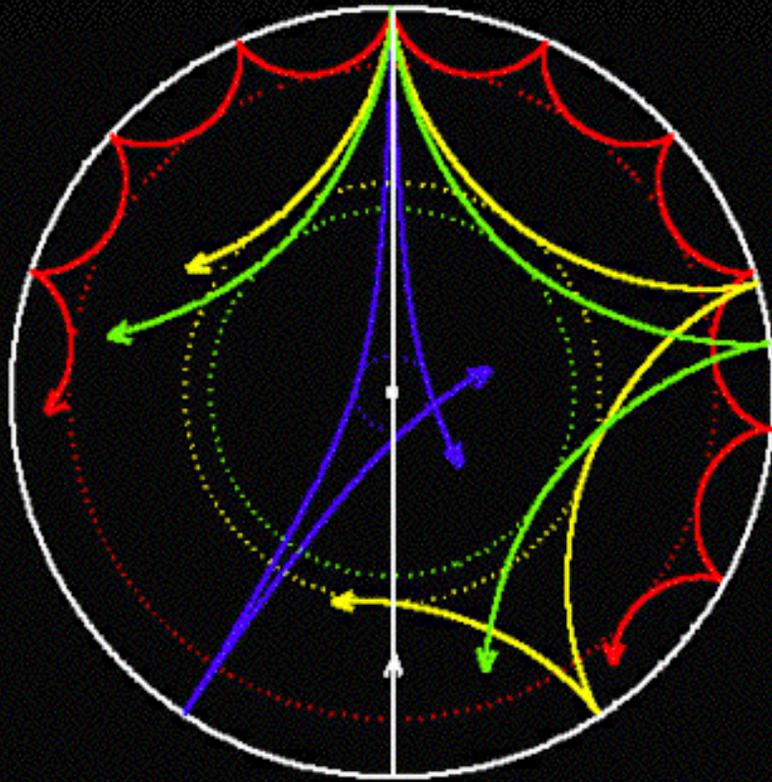
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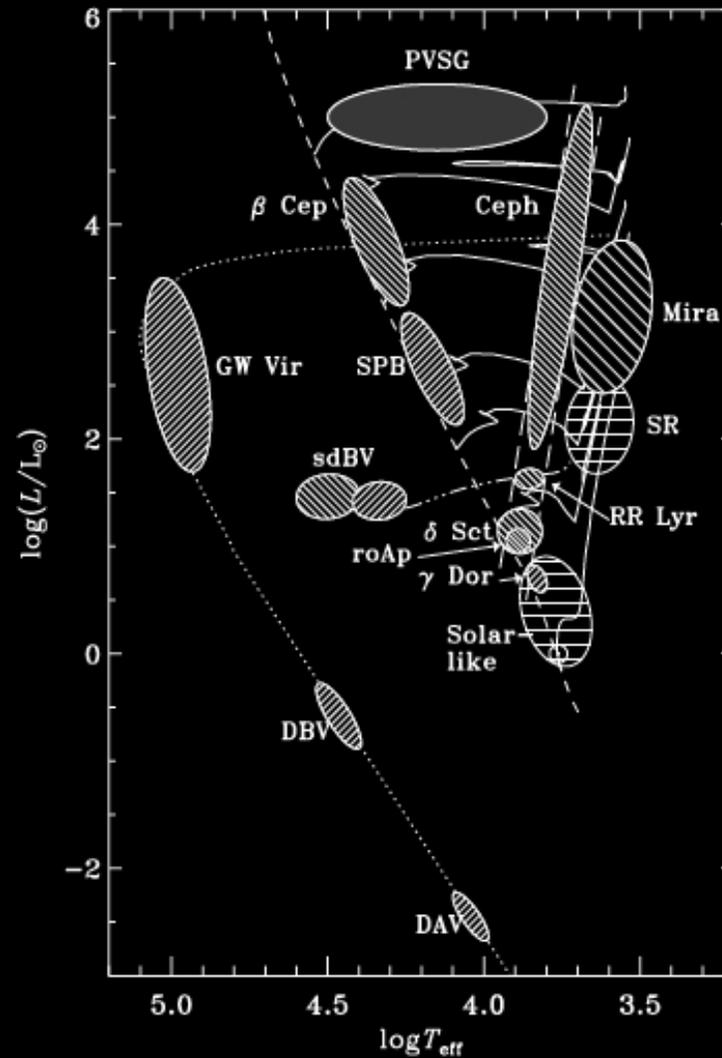


One mode \Leftrightarrow one piece of information

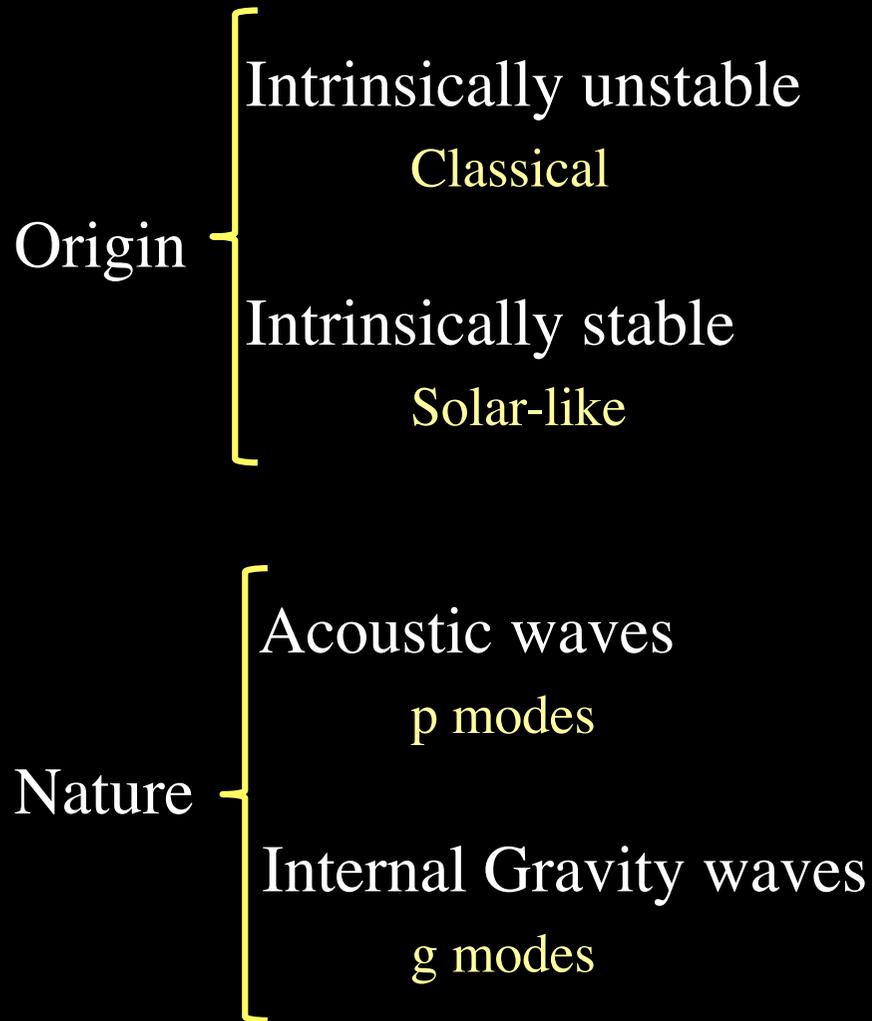
- Average information on propagation cavity
- With several modes one can hope to get localized information

Asteroseismology: Across the HR diagram

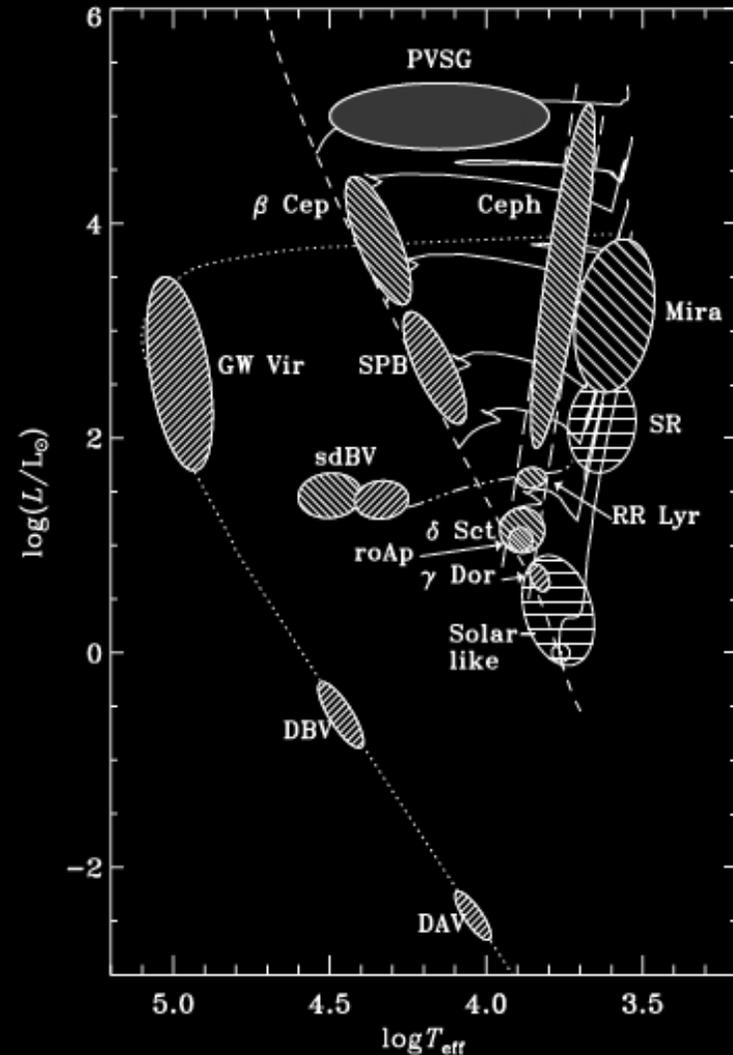
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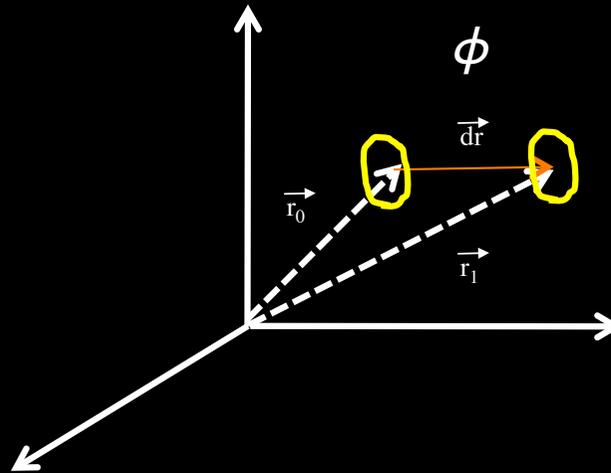
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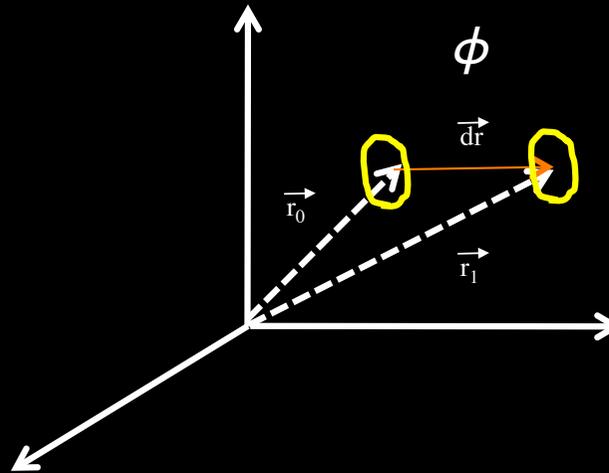
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Two ways to look at time evolution of ϕ :

1. At fixed position => Eulerian description
2. Following the motion => Lagrangian description

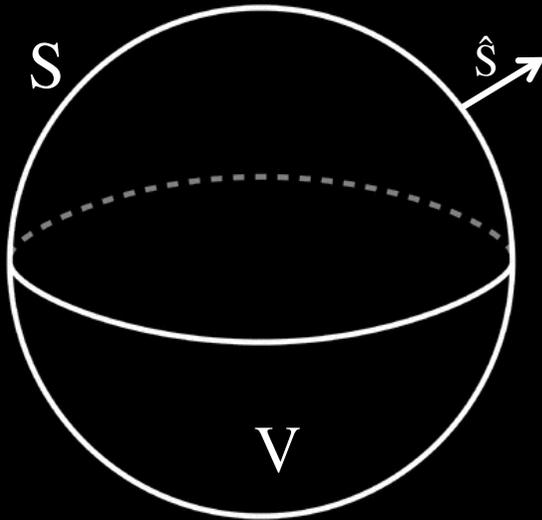
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Thus: system of equation is closed, so far as equilibrium quantities are known.

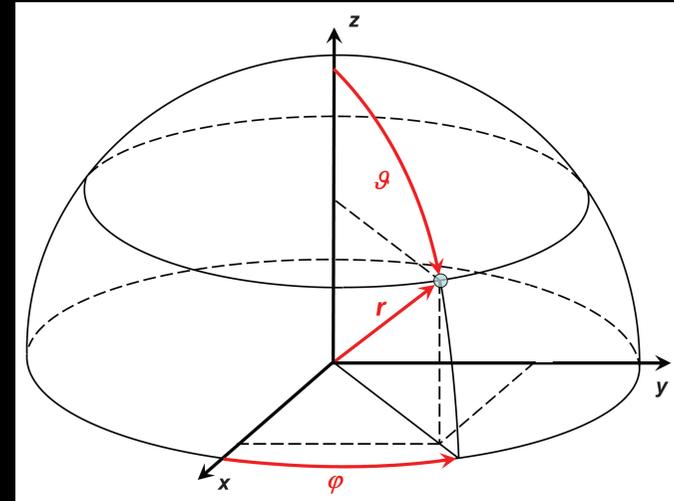
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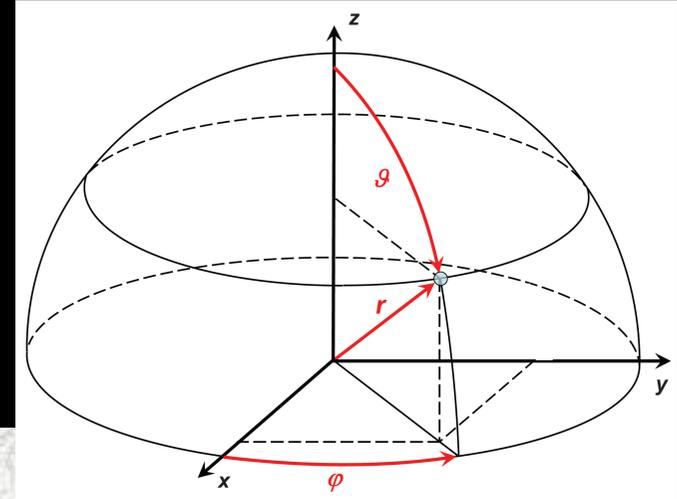
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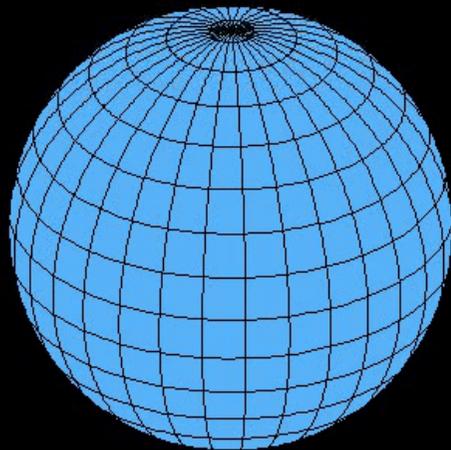
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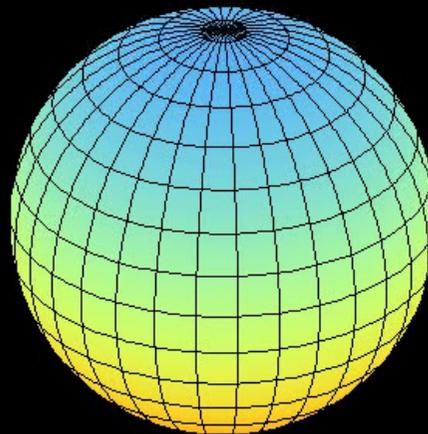
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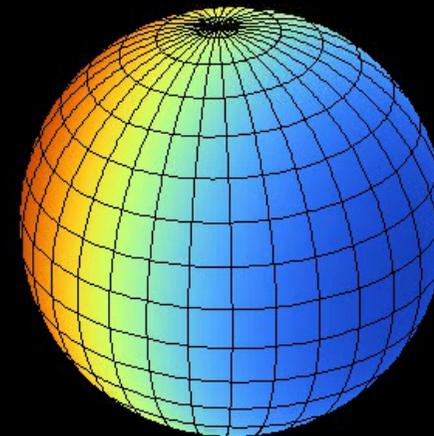
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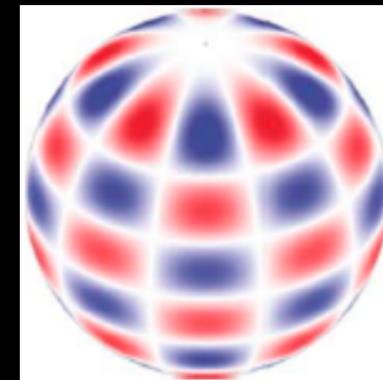
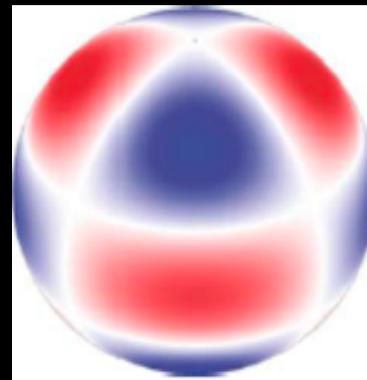
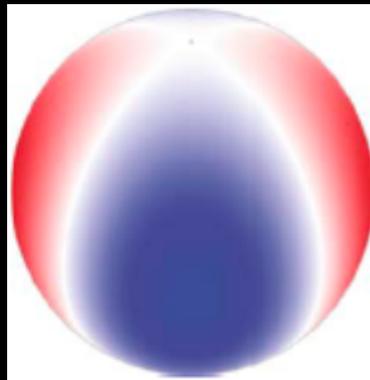
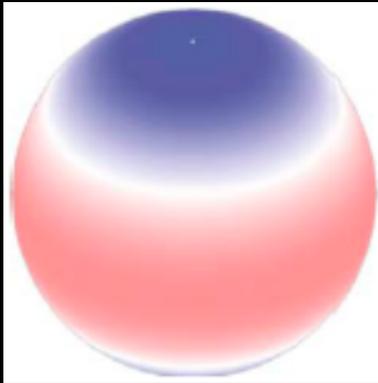
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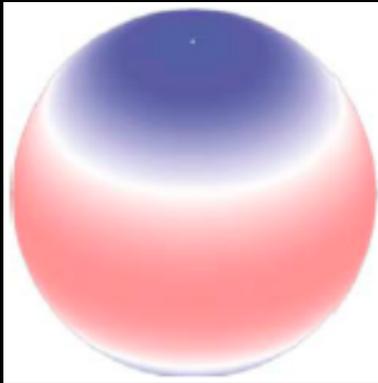
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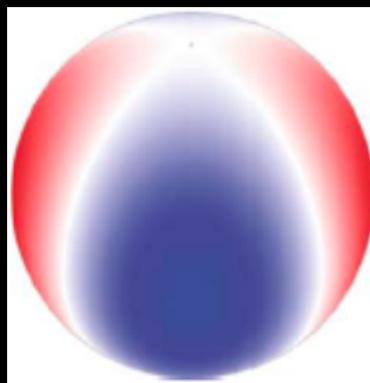
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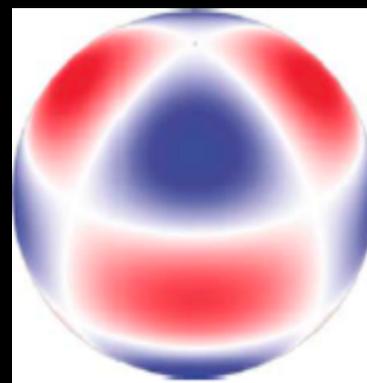
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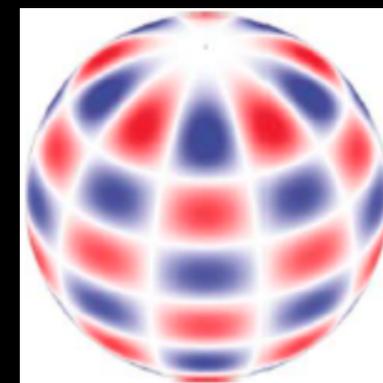
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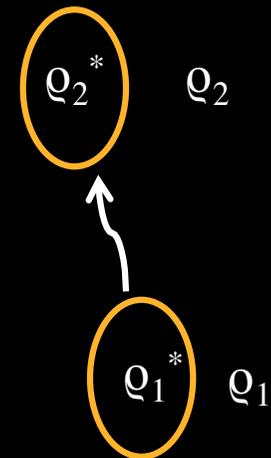
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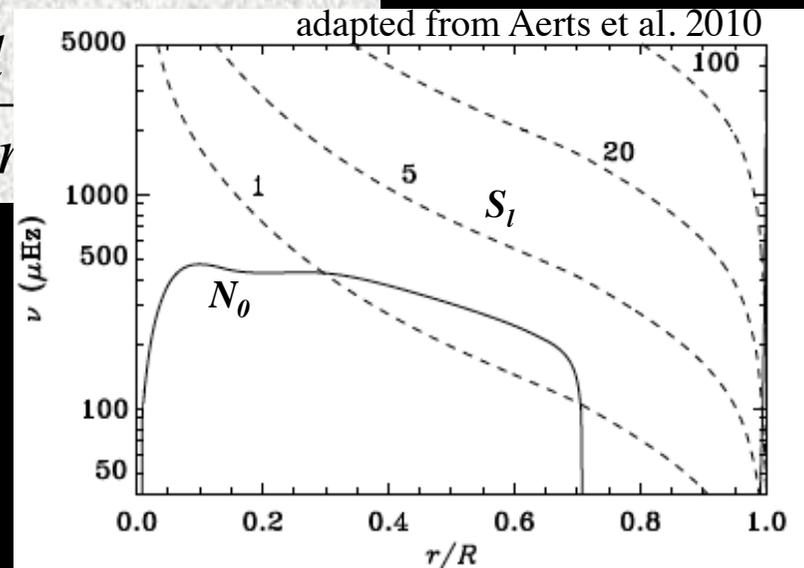
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e.g. assuming free surface $\Rightarrow \delta p' = 0$

(But this is not adequate for a real star!)

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A better option is to make the numerical solutions match onto the analytical solutions for an isothermal atmosphere.

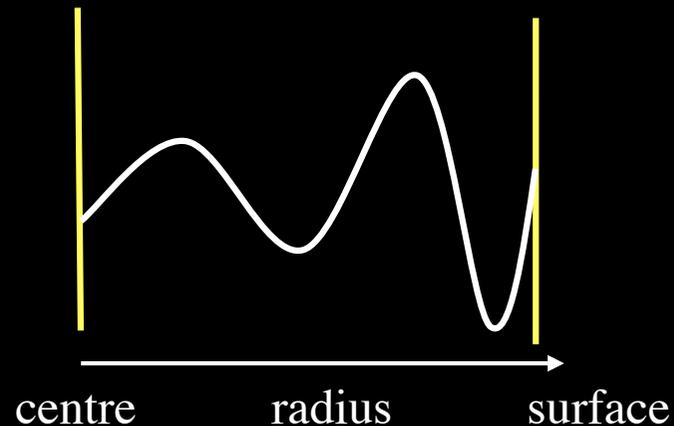
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We reduced the problem to 1D

Equations + boundary conditions

=> admit non-trivial solutions only for a **discrete** values of frequencies

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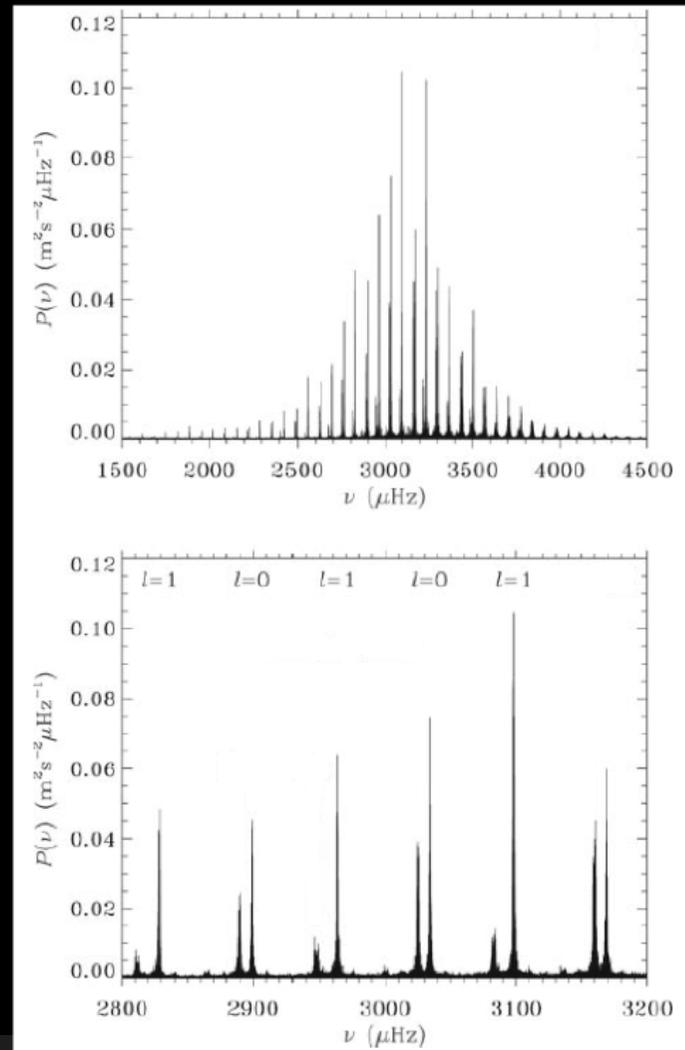
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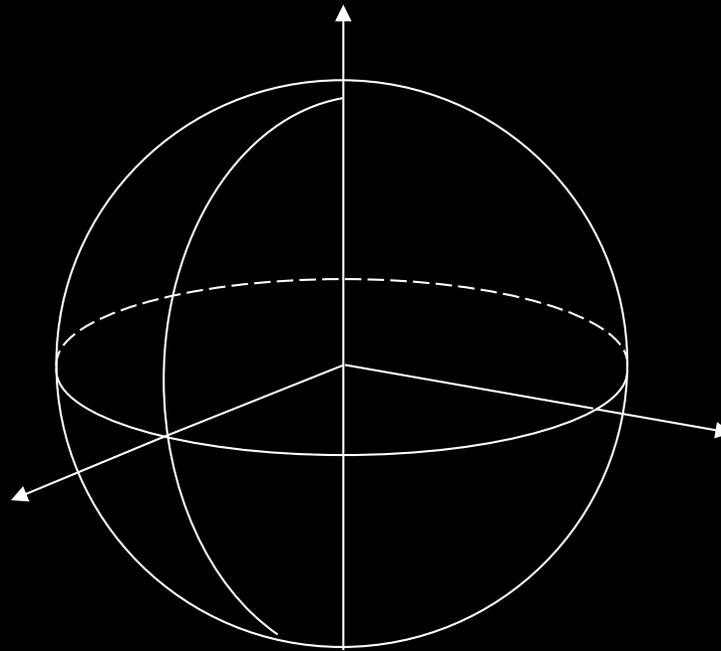
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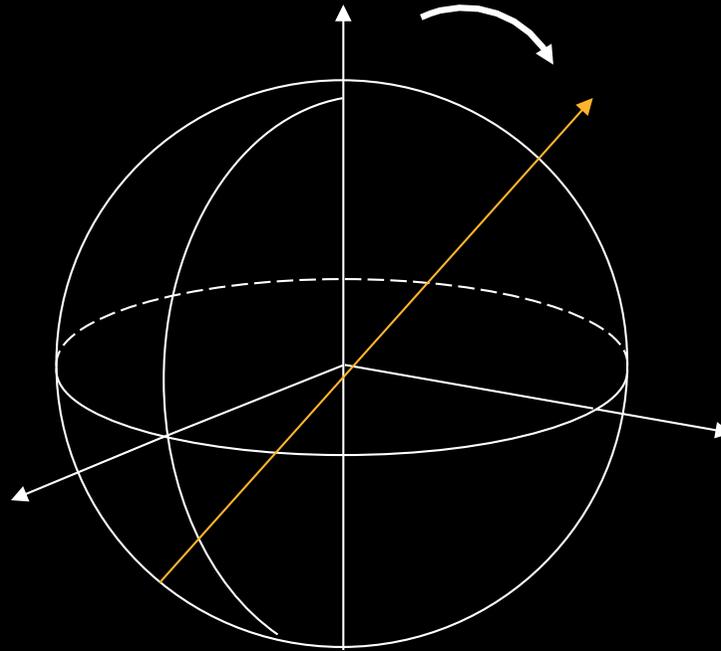
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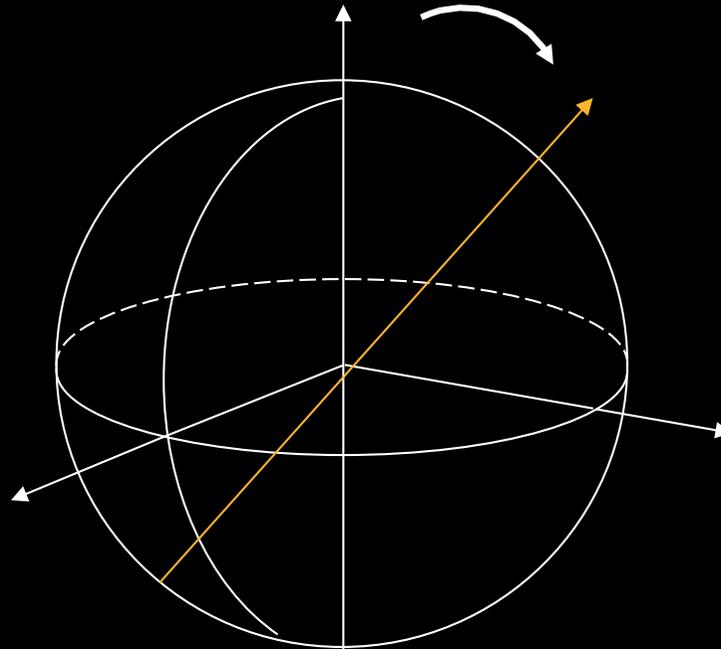
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(See also, Gough 93)

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Recall the solutions of the wave equation with **constant k**

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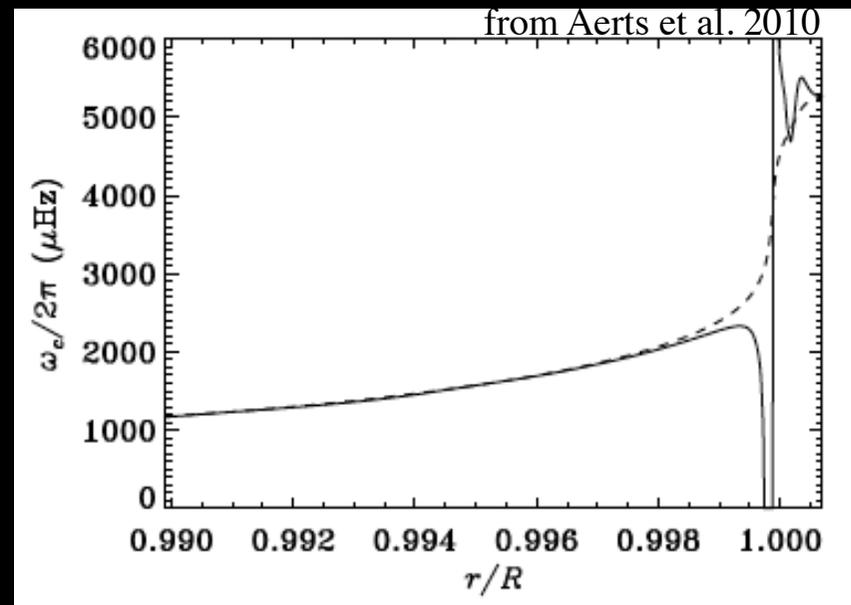
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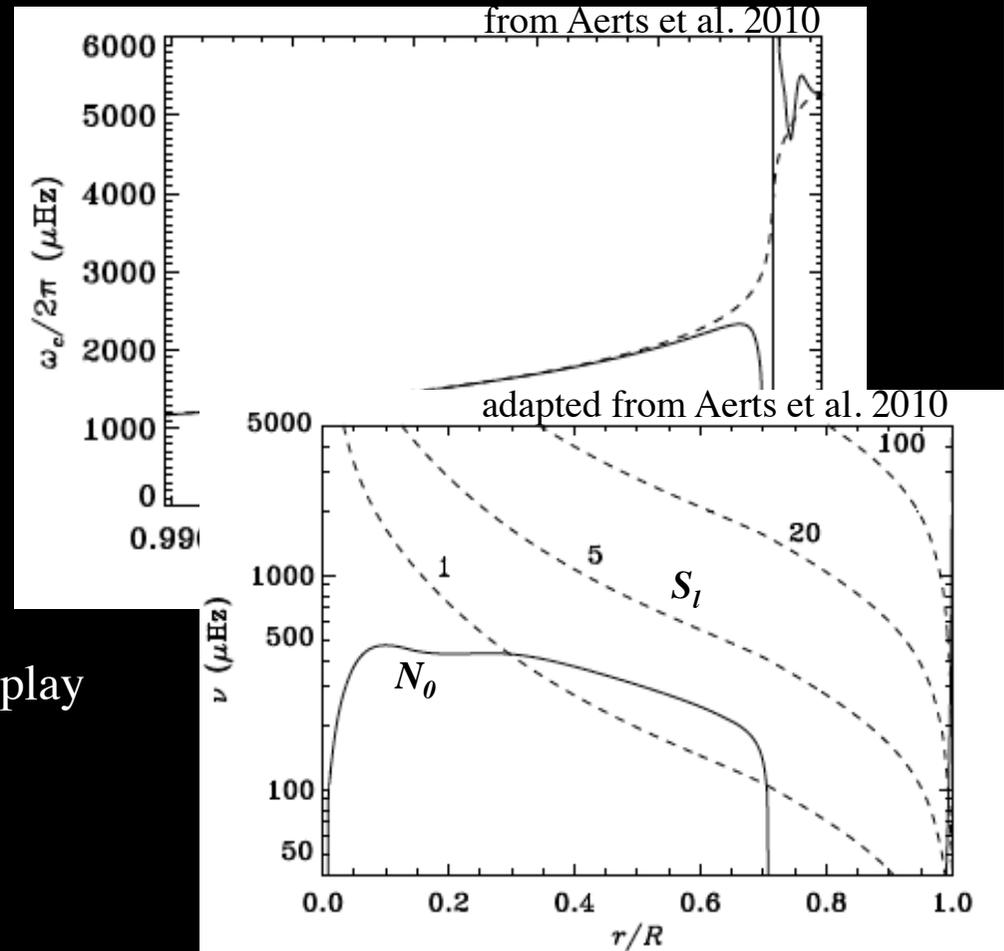
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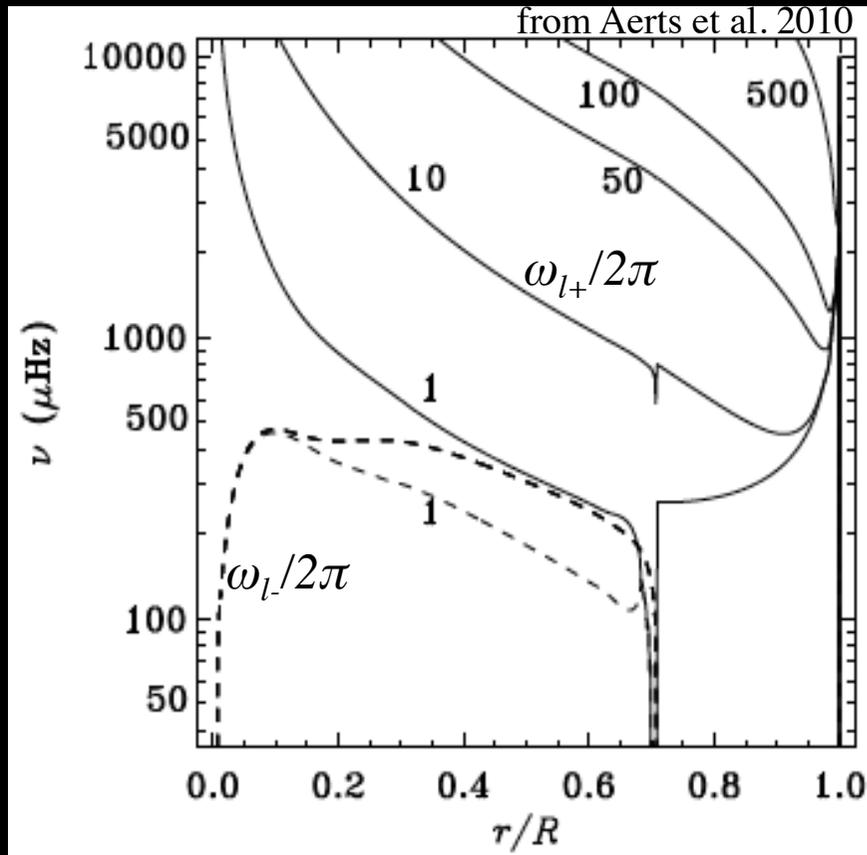
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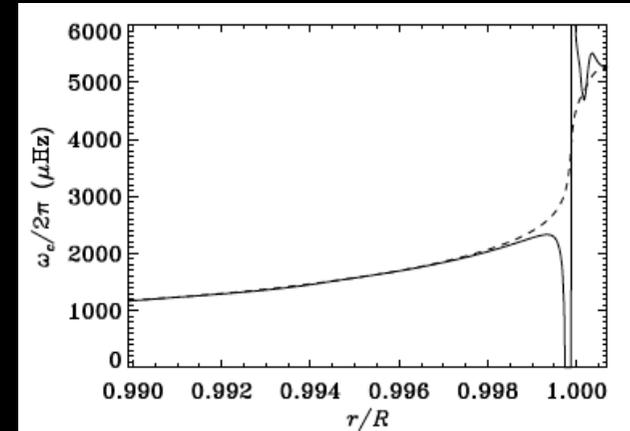
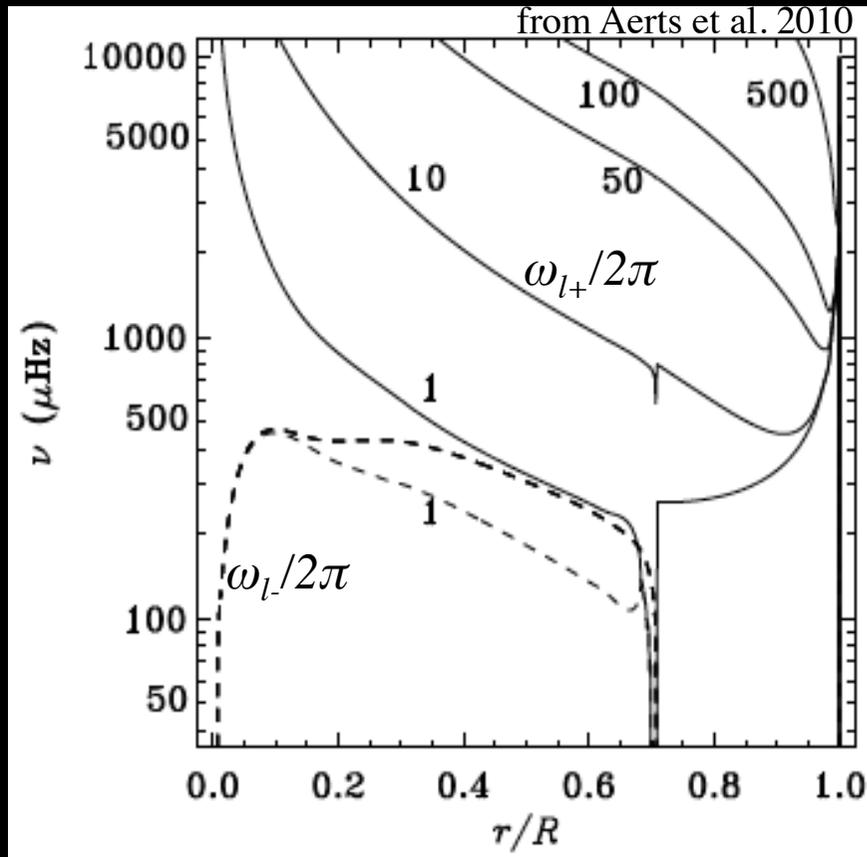
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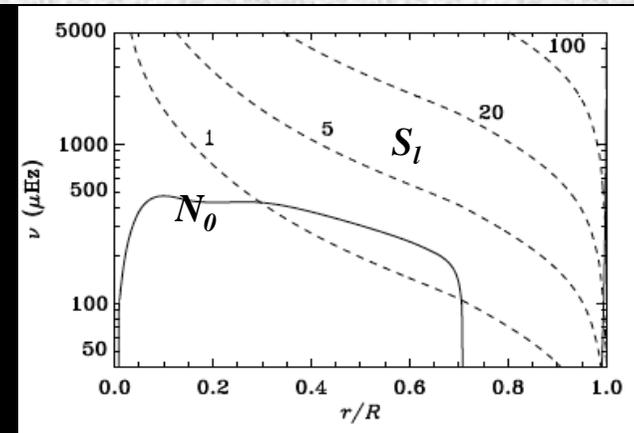


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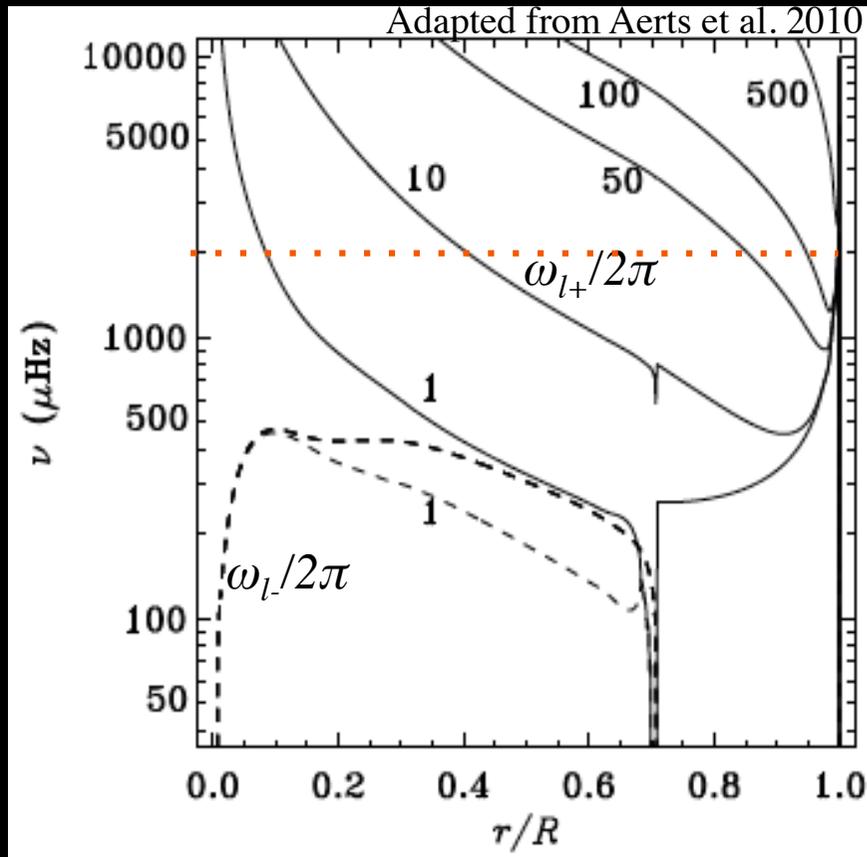
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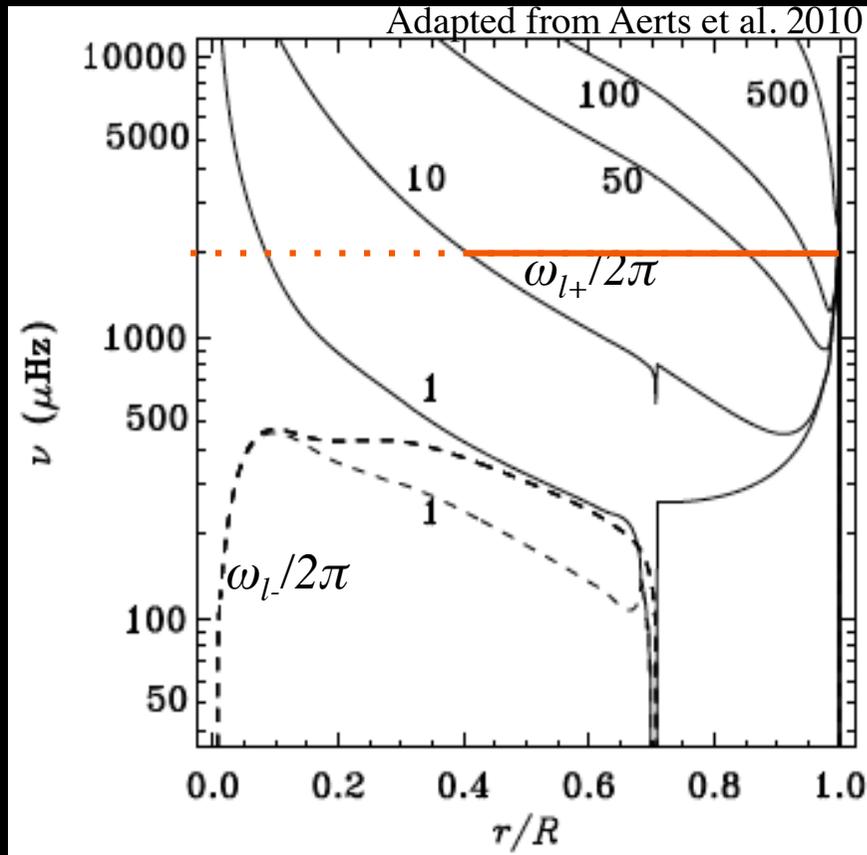
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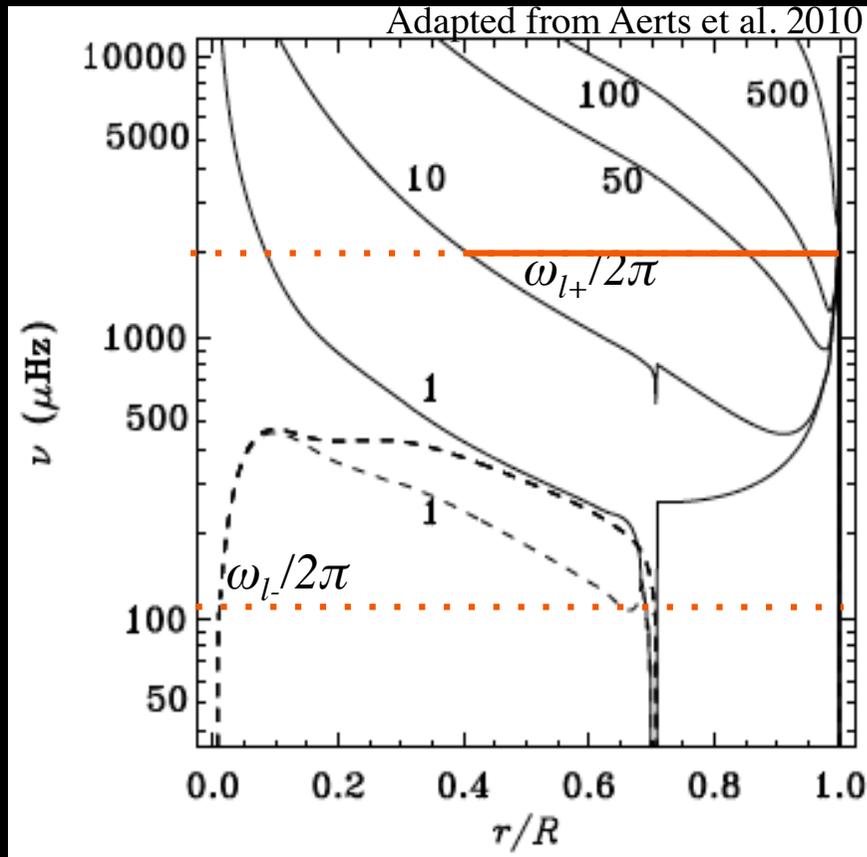
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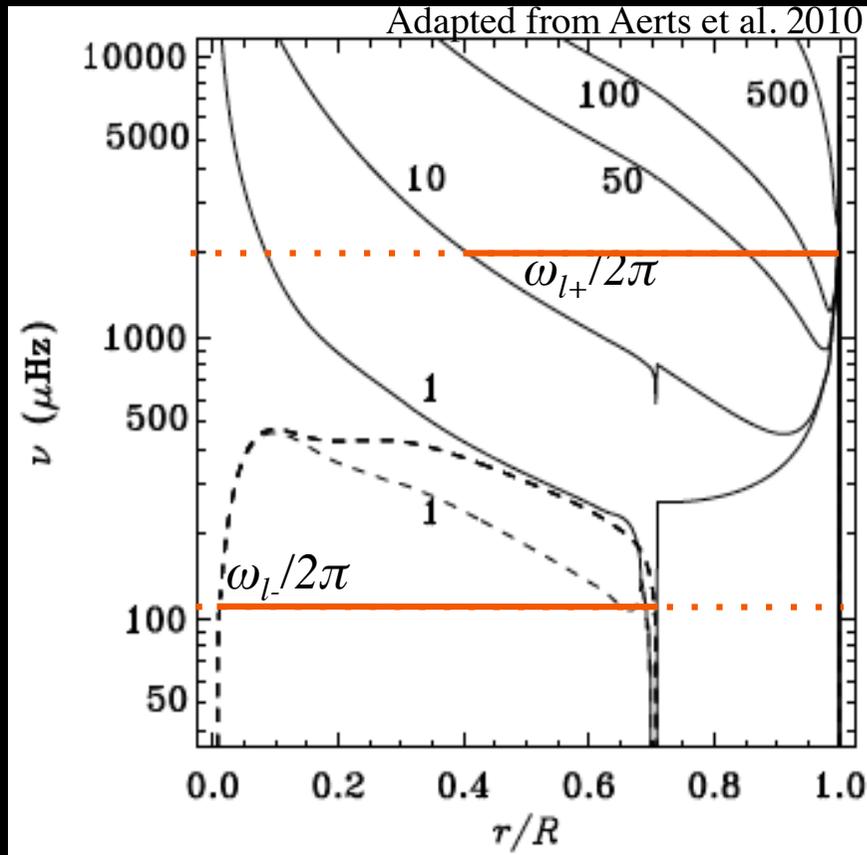
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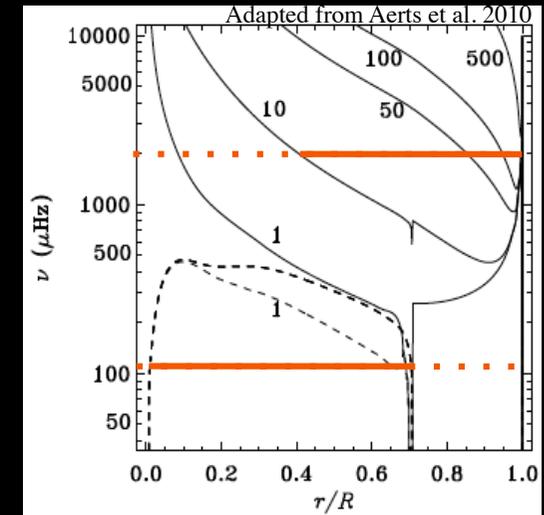
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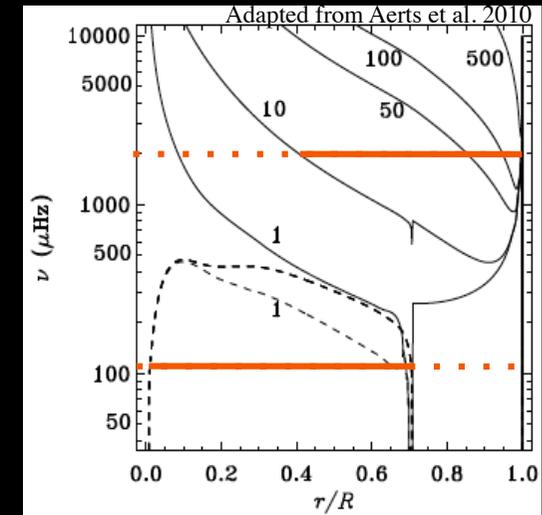
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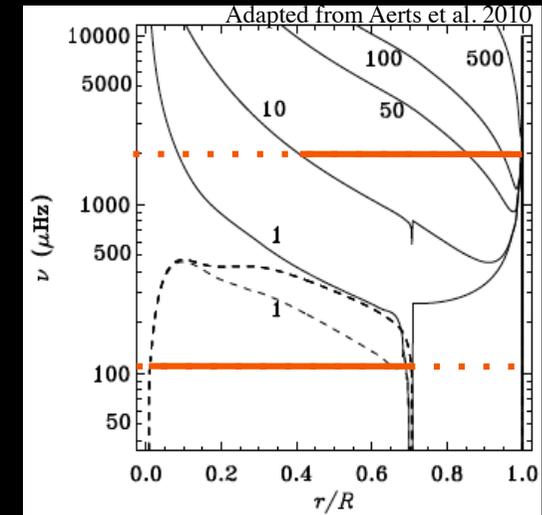
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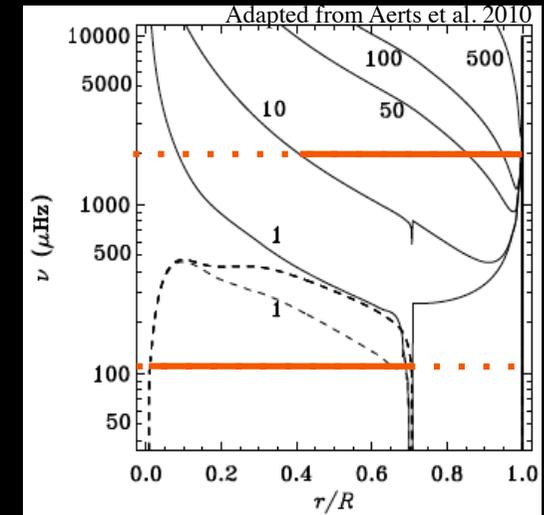
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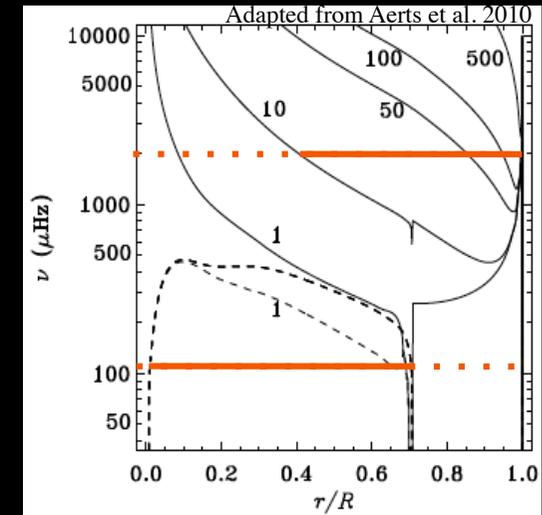
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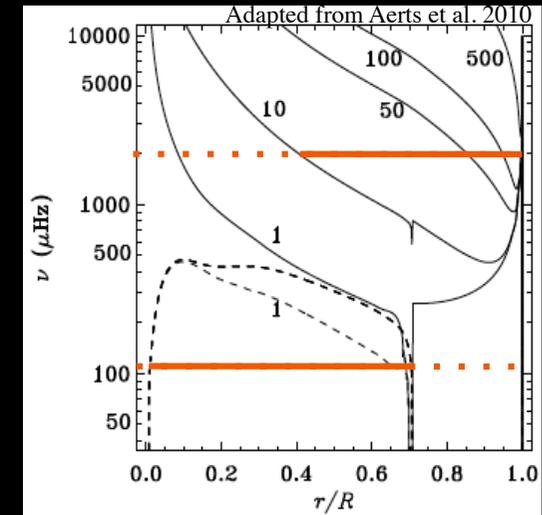
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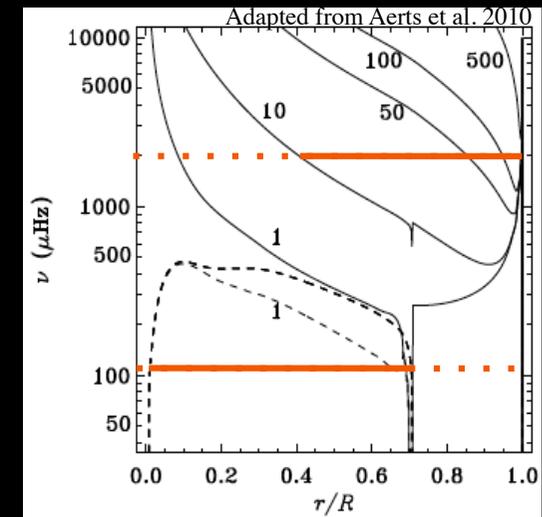
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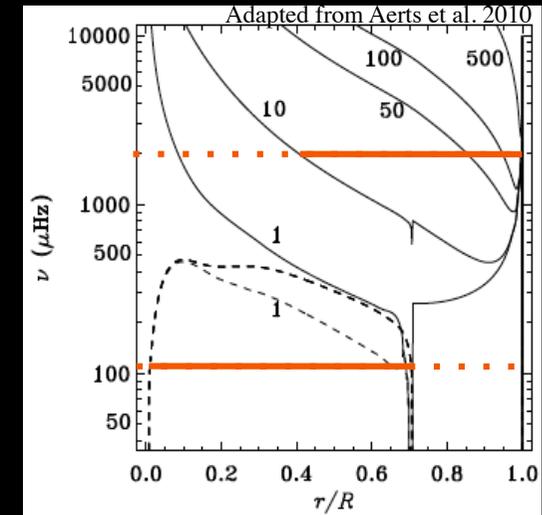
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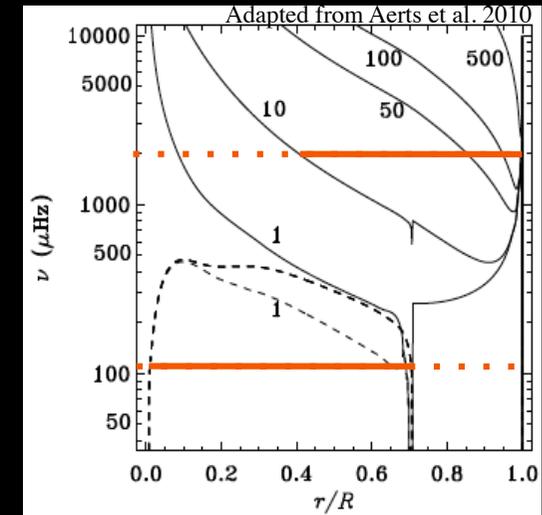
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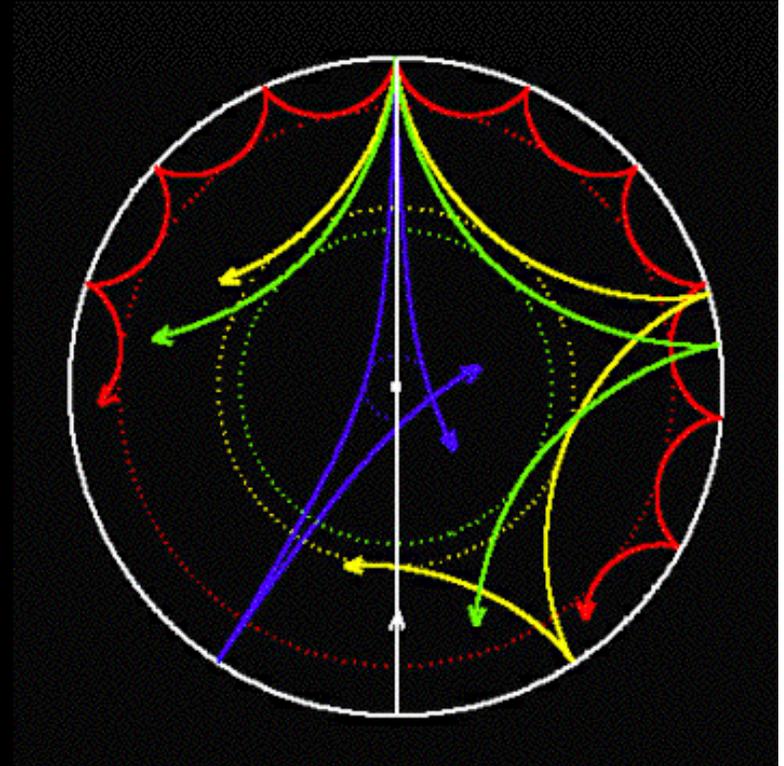
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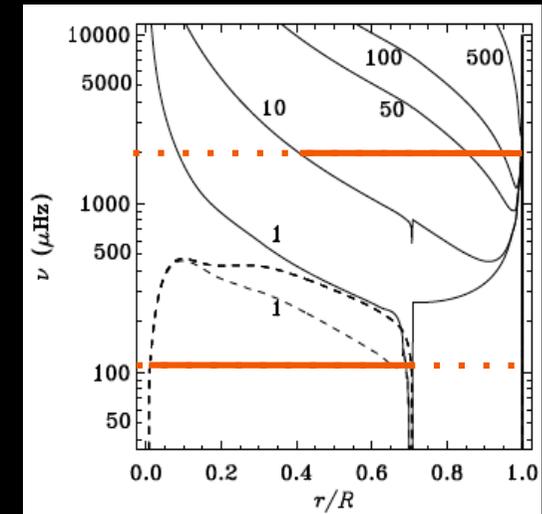
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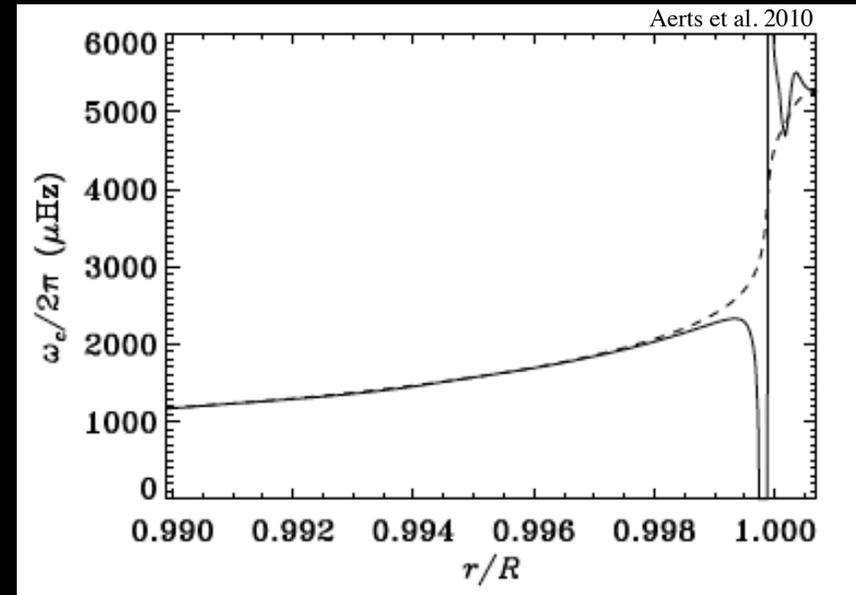
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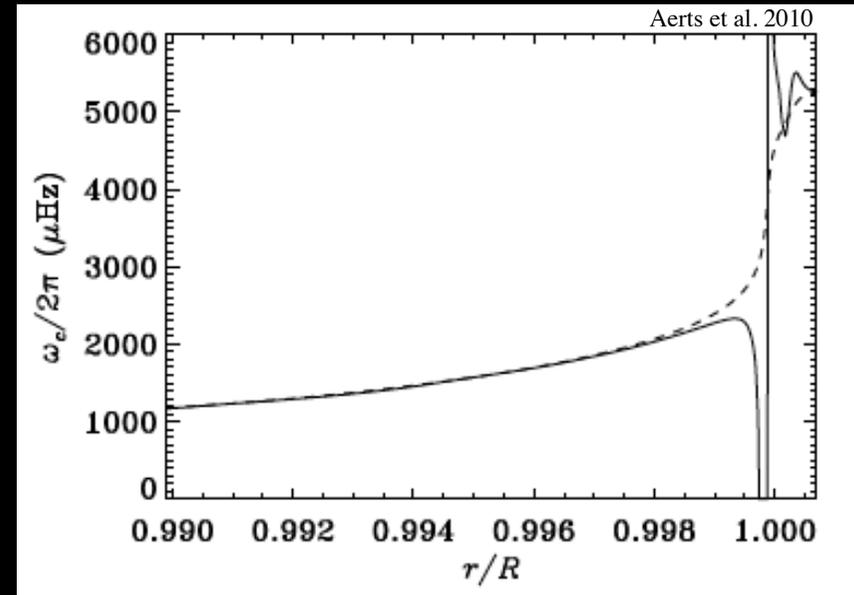
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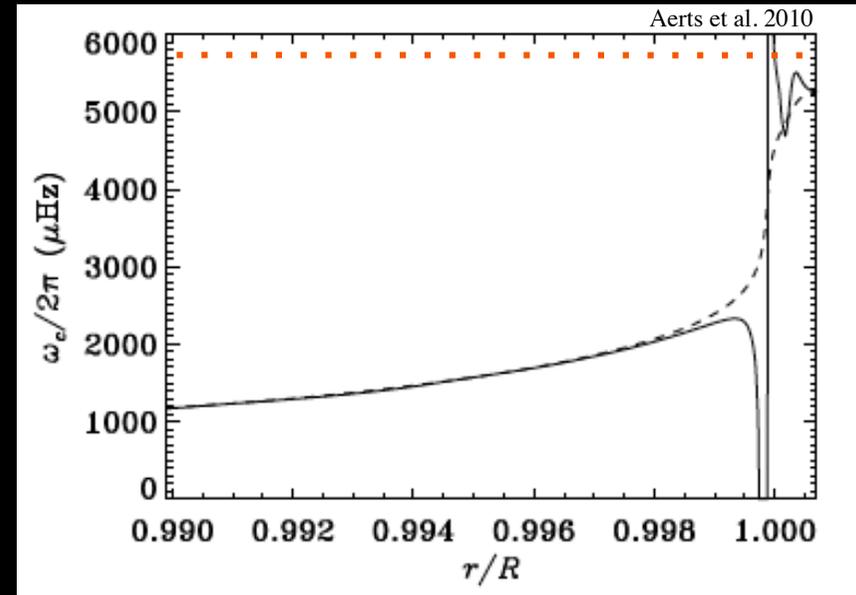
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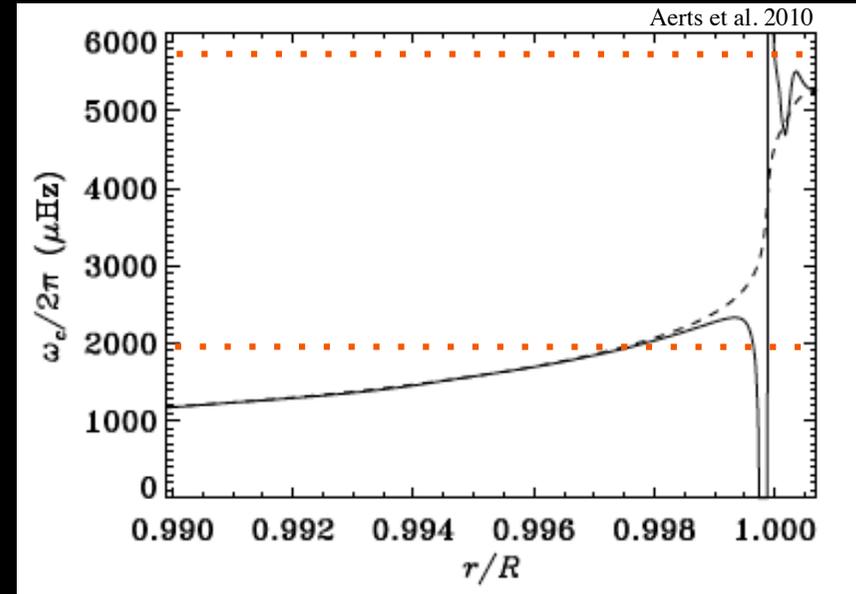
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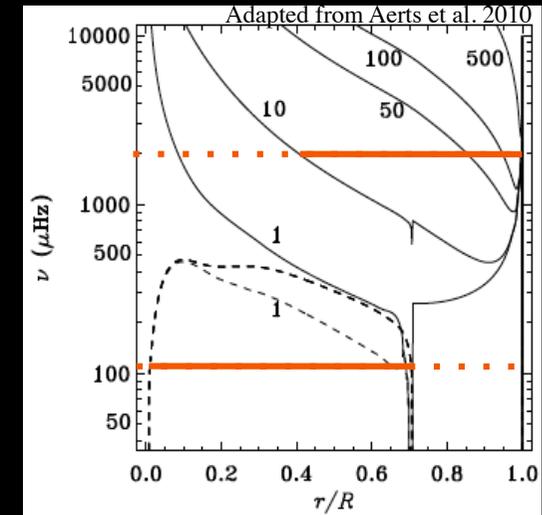
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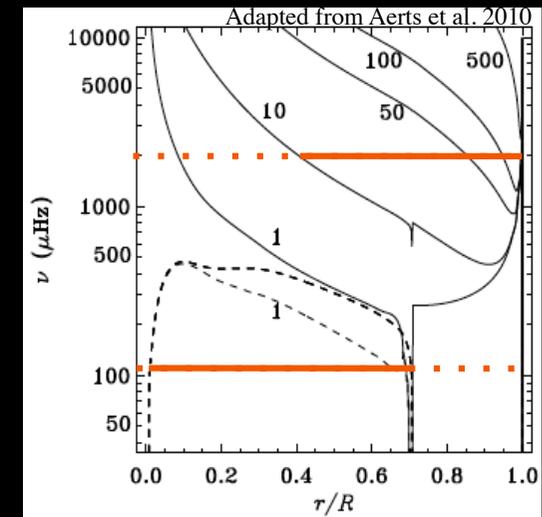
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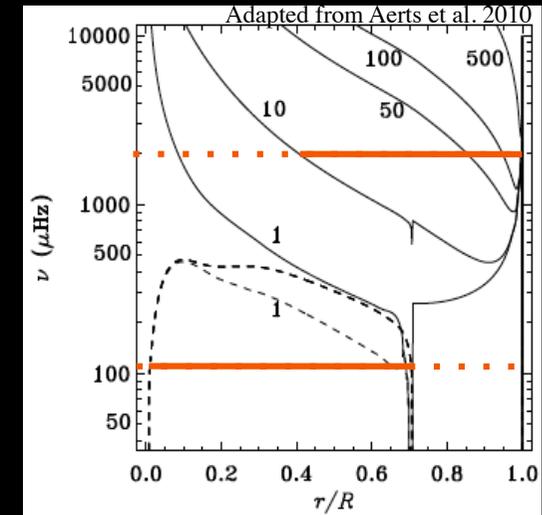
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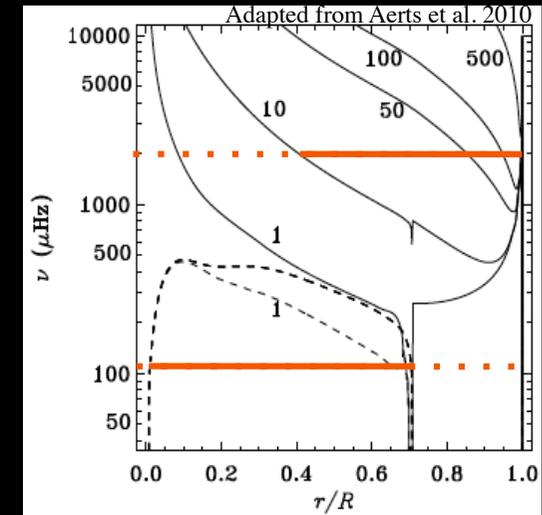
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Dispersion relation for gravity wave.

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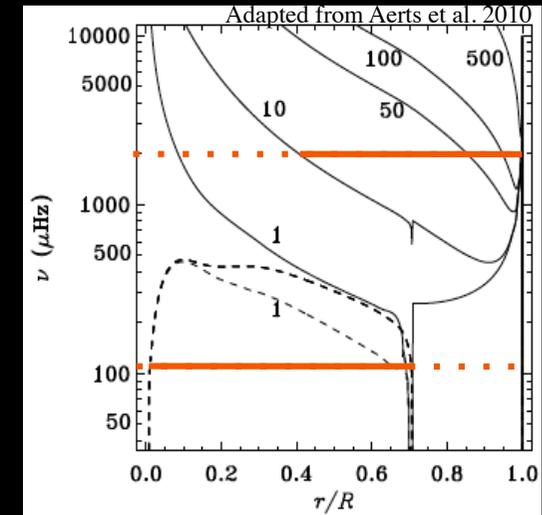
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ω decreases as k_r increases

$\Rightarrow |n|$ increases as frequency decreases

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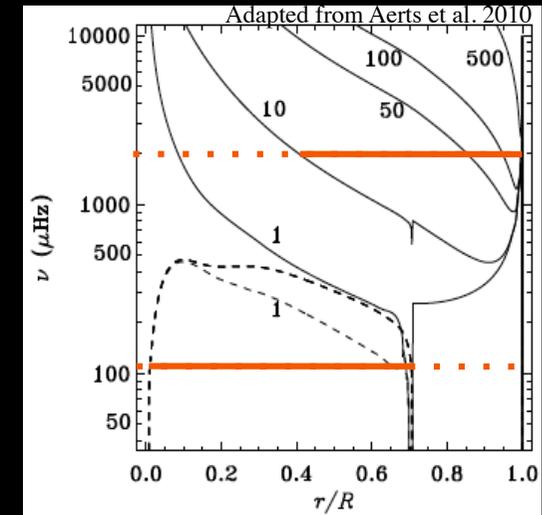
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Dispersion relation for gravity wave.

Smaller $k_r/k_h \Rightarrow$ Larger $\lambda_r/\lambda_h \Rightarrow$ larger ω
 \Rightarrow larger frequencies for “needle-like” motion

The frequency of a gravity wave is always smaller than N_0

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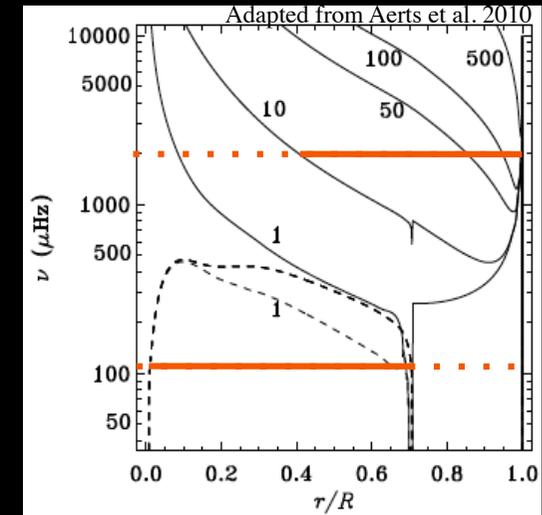
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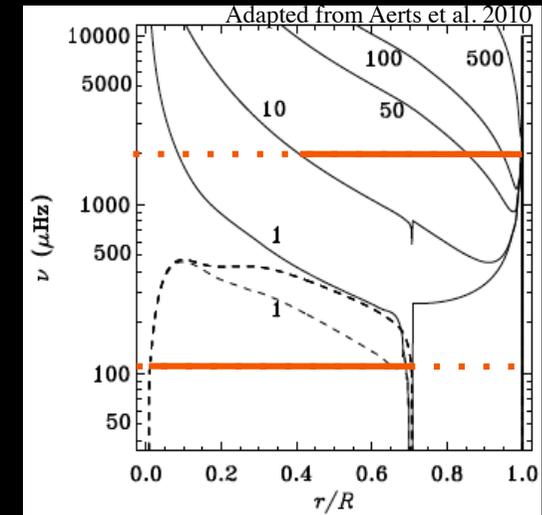
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Gravity waves propagate only in convectively stable regions!

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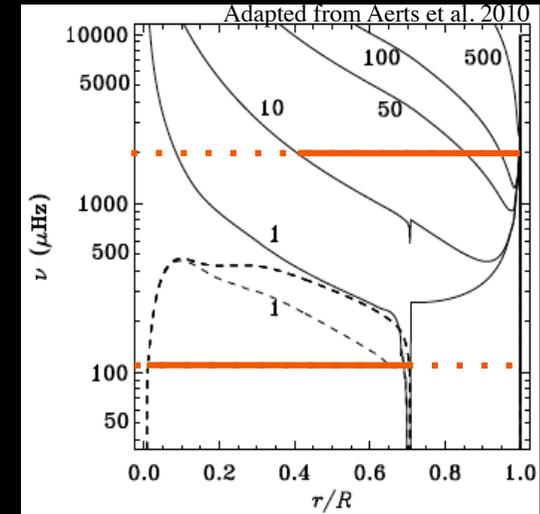
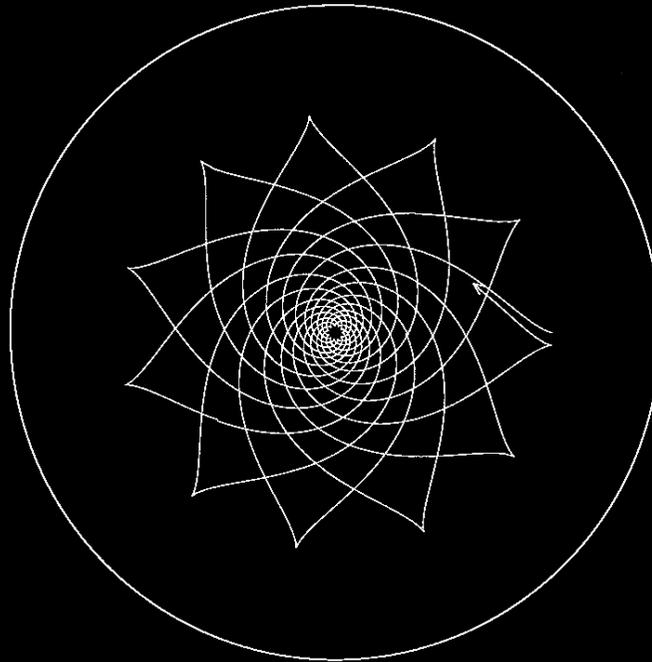
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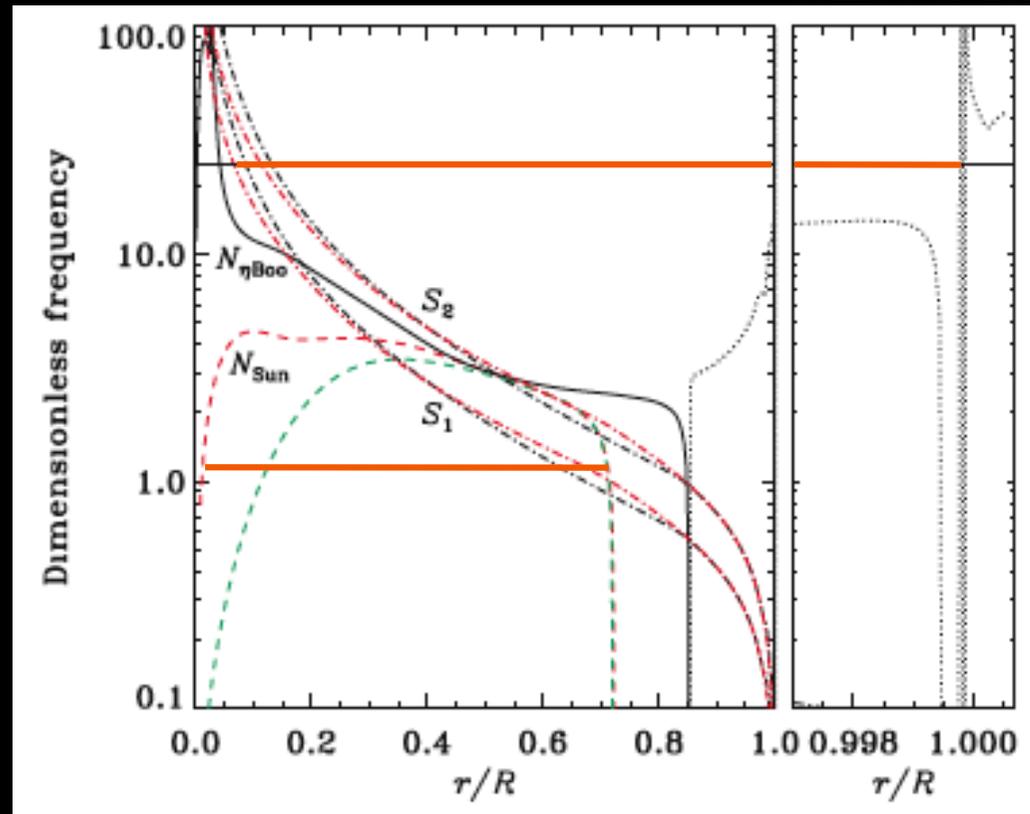
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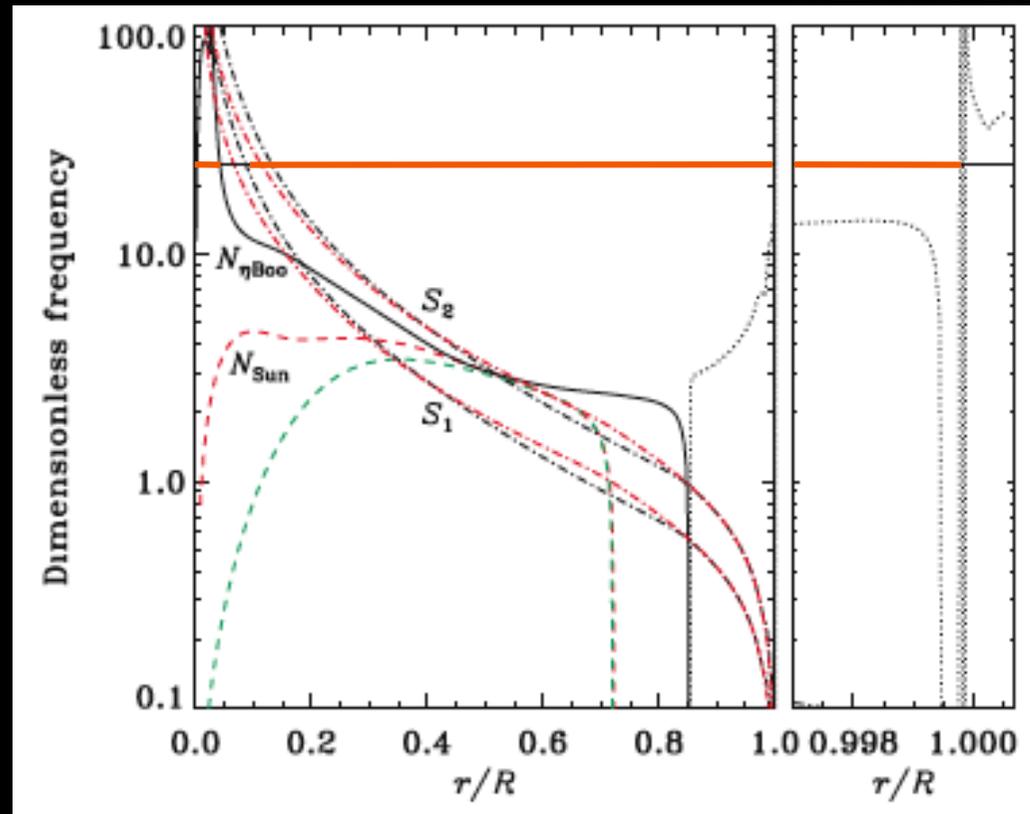


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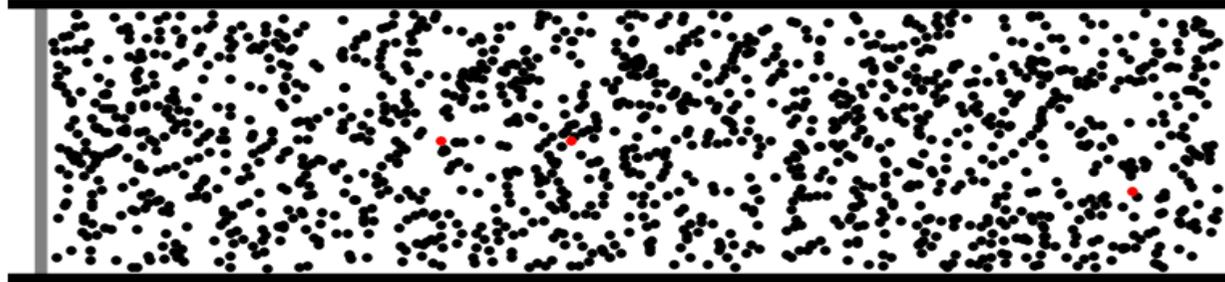
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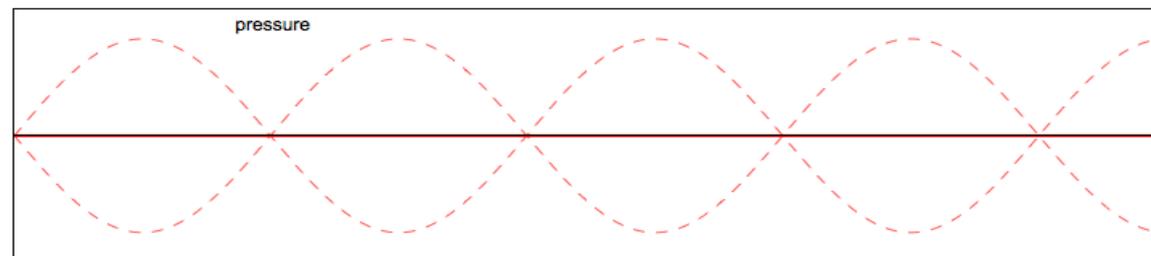
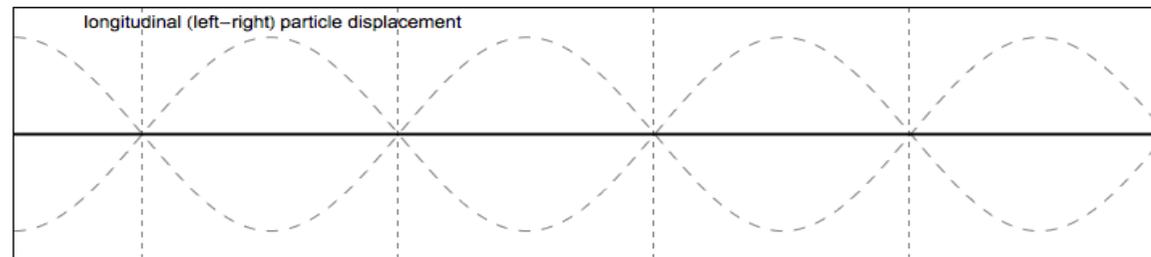
Acoustic and internal gravity waves

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Acoustic wave



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Internal gravity wave

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Acoustic and gravity waves

Summary

Acoustic waves

- Maintained by gradient of pressure fluctuation;
- Radial or non-radial;
- Propagate in convectively stable or non-stable regions

Internal gravity waves

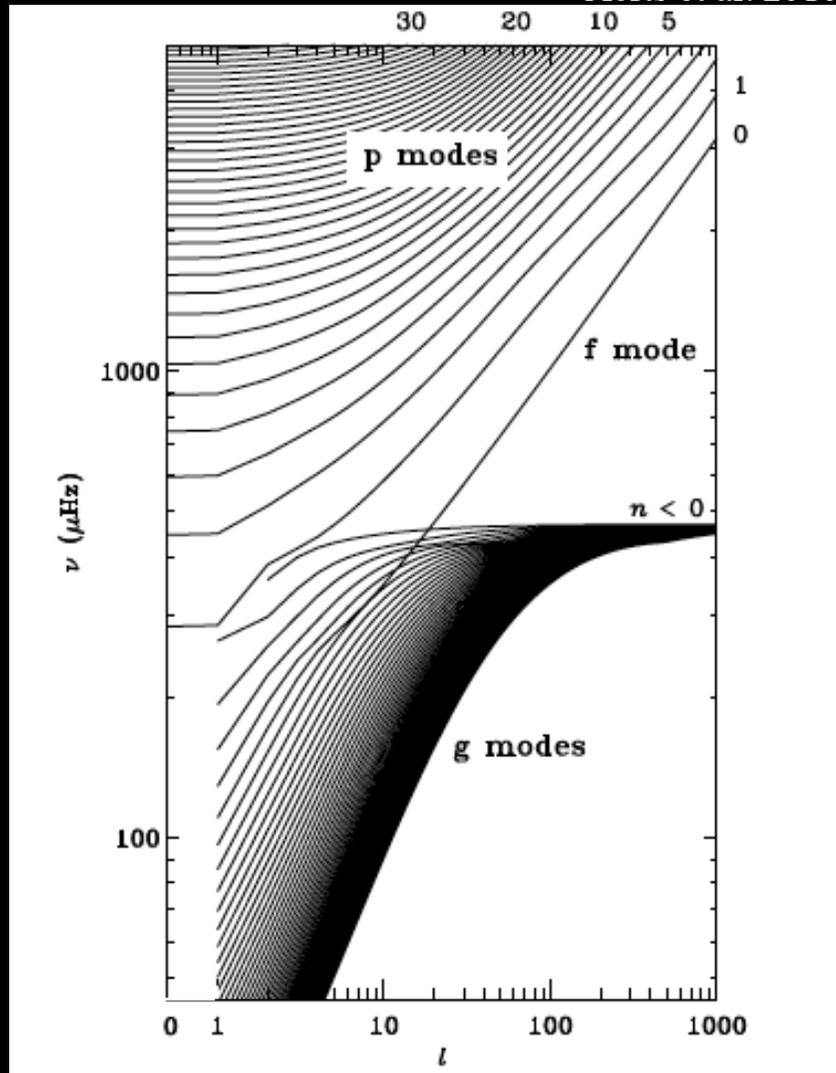
- Maintained by gravity acting on density fluctuation;
- Always non-radial;
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Numerical solutions

Numerical results

Eigenfrequencies

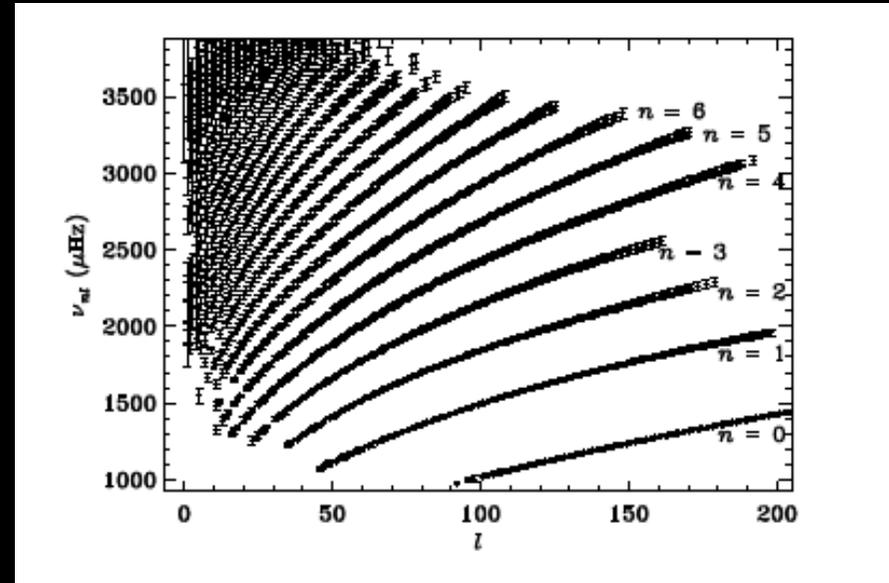
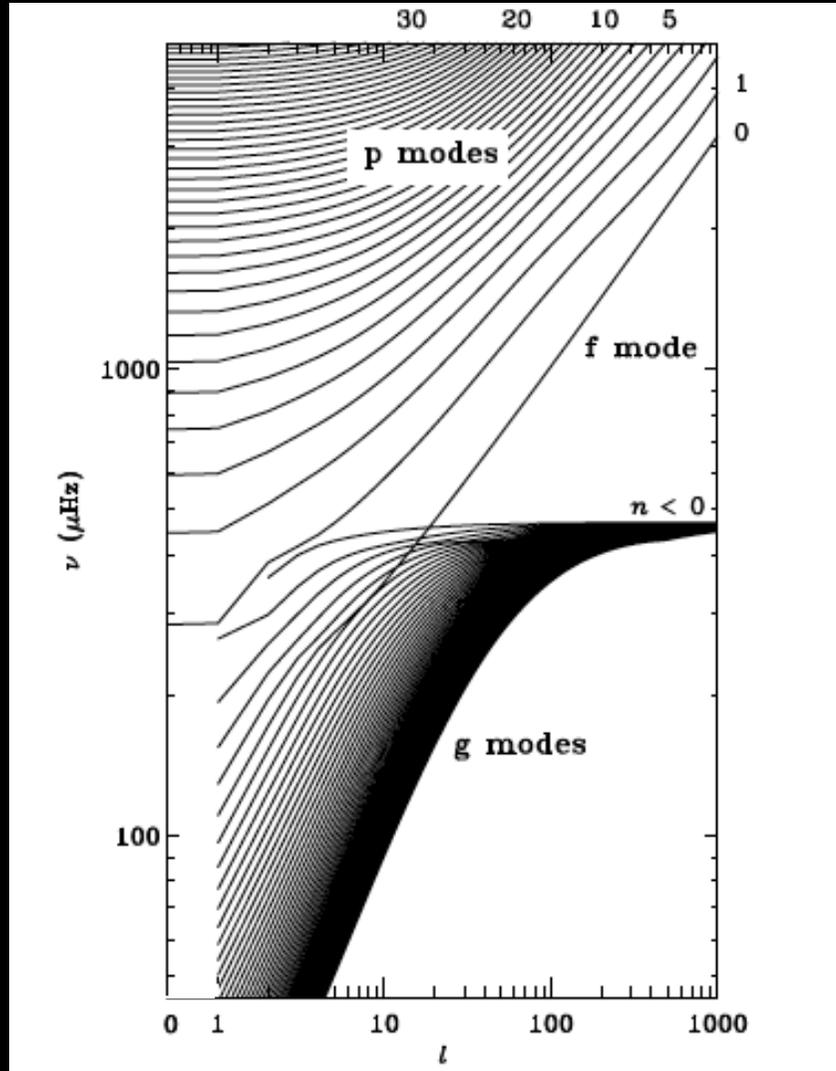
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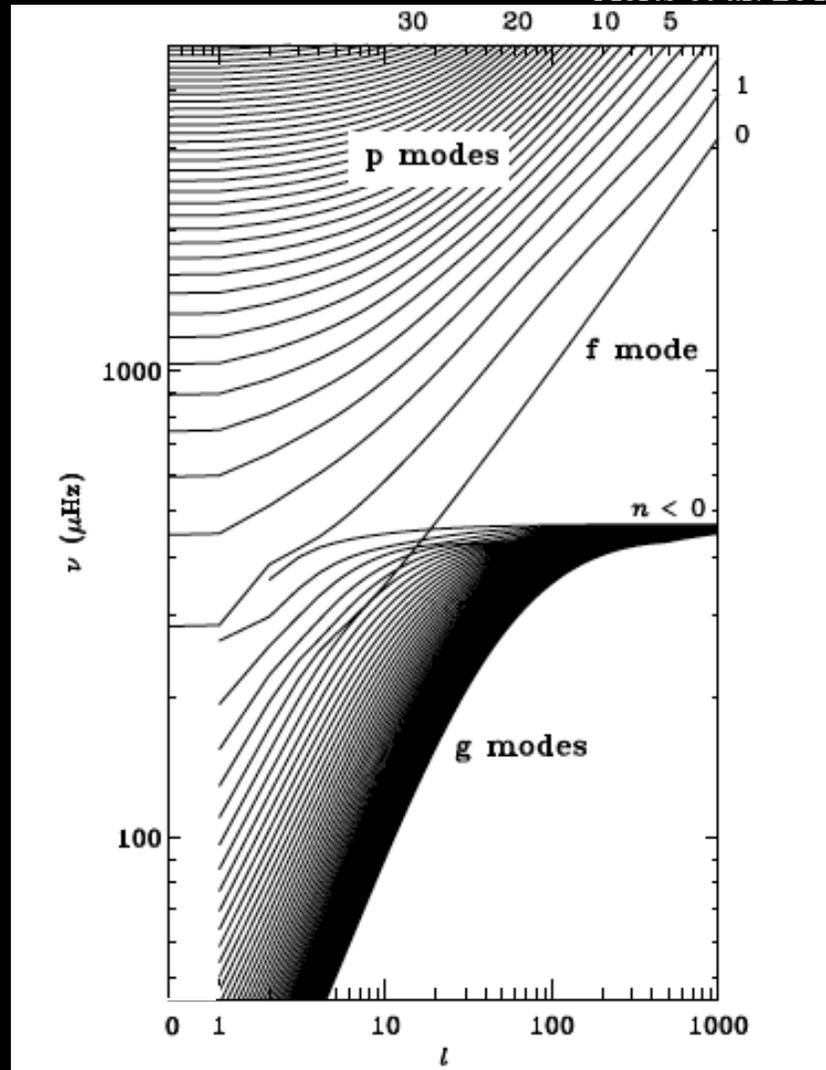
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Acoustic modes: $n > 0$

Gravity modes: $n < 0$

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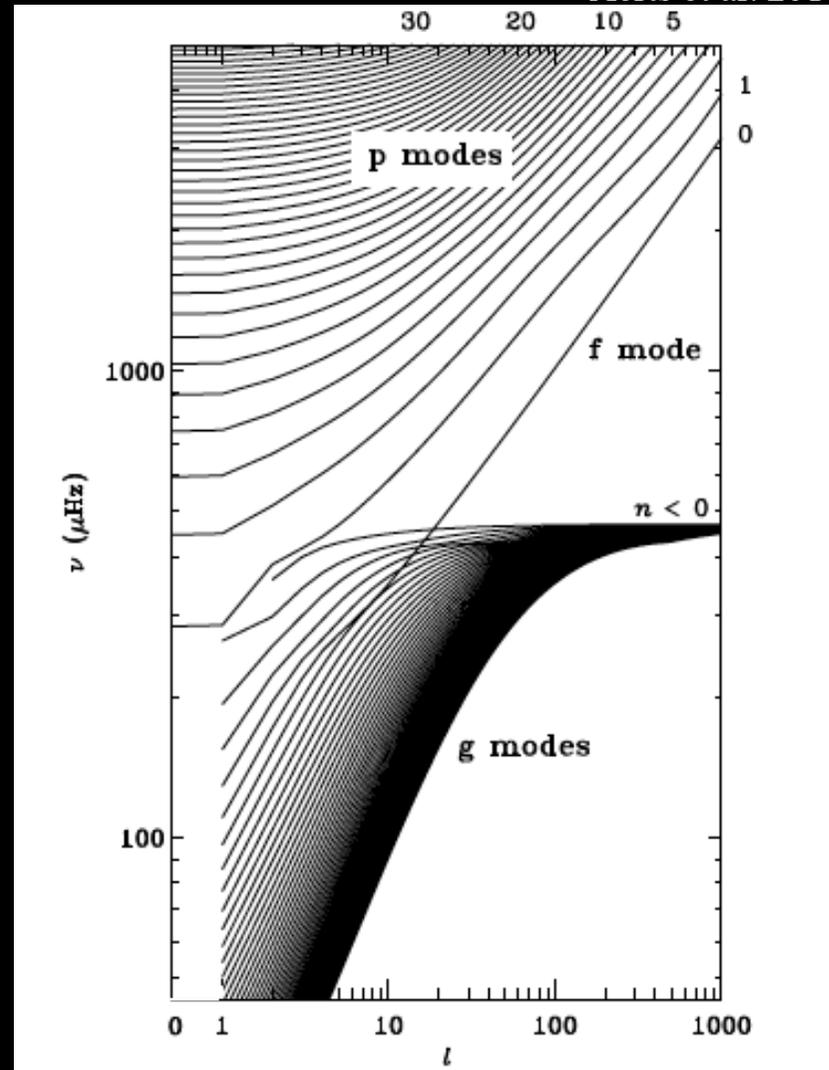
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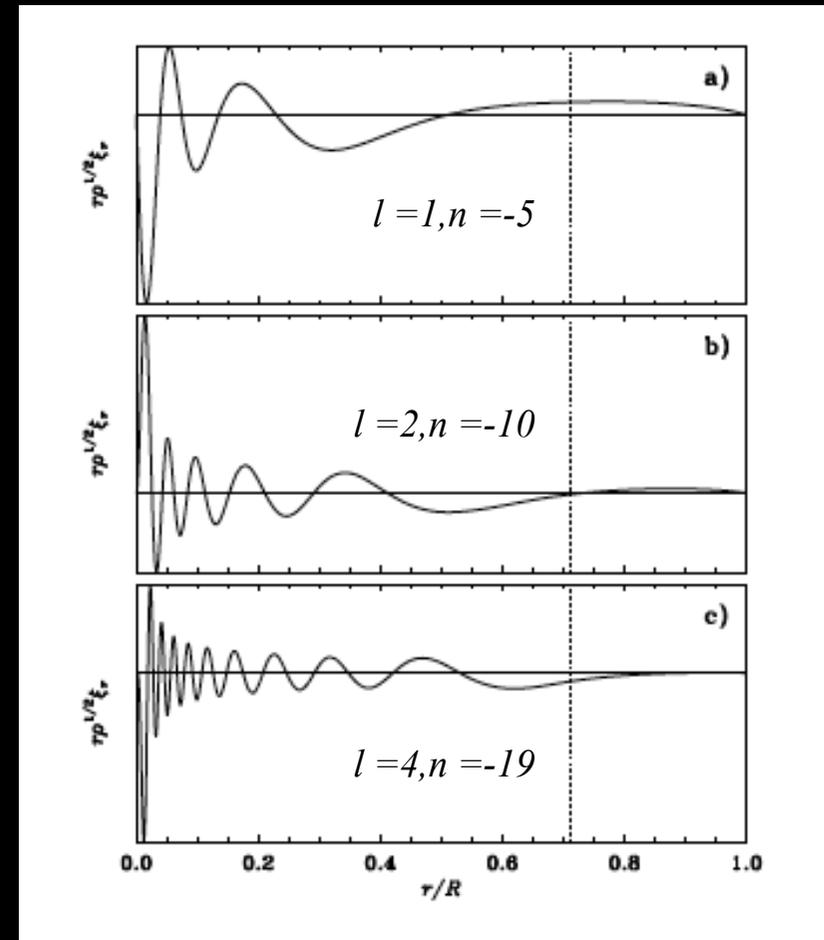
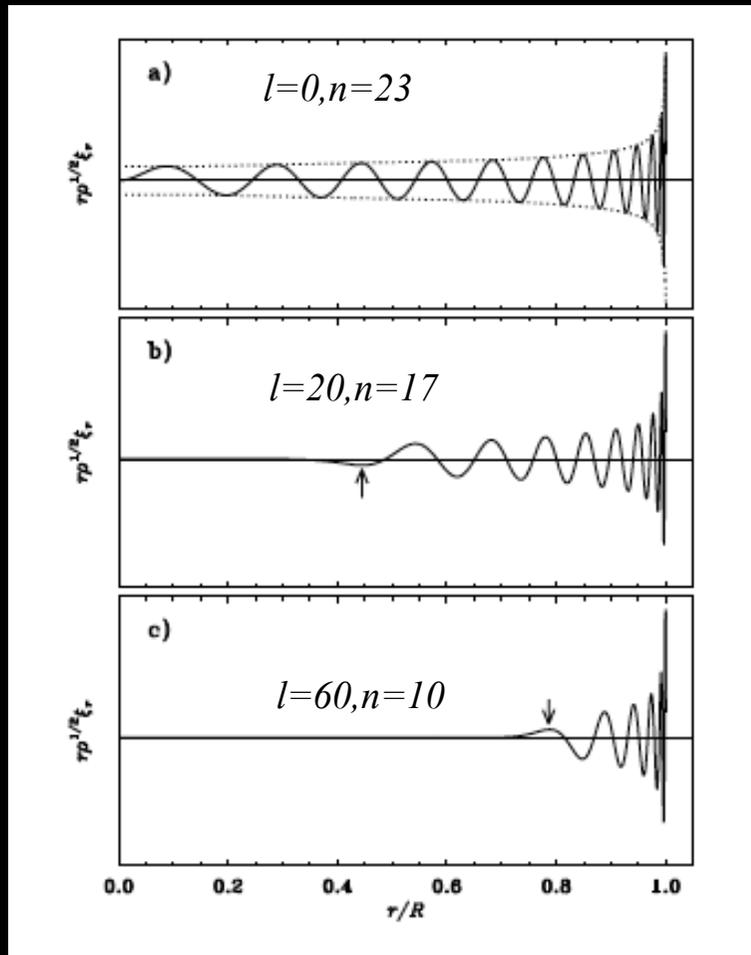
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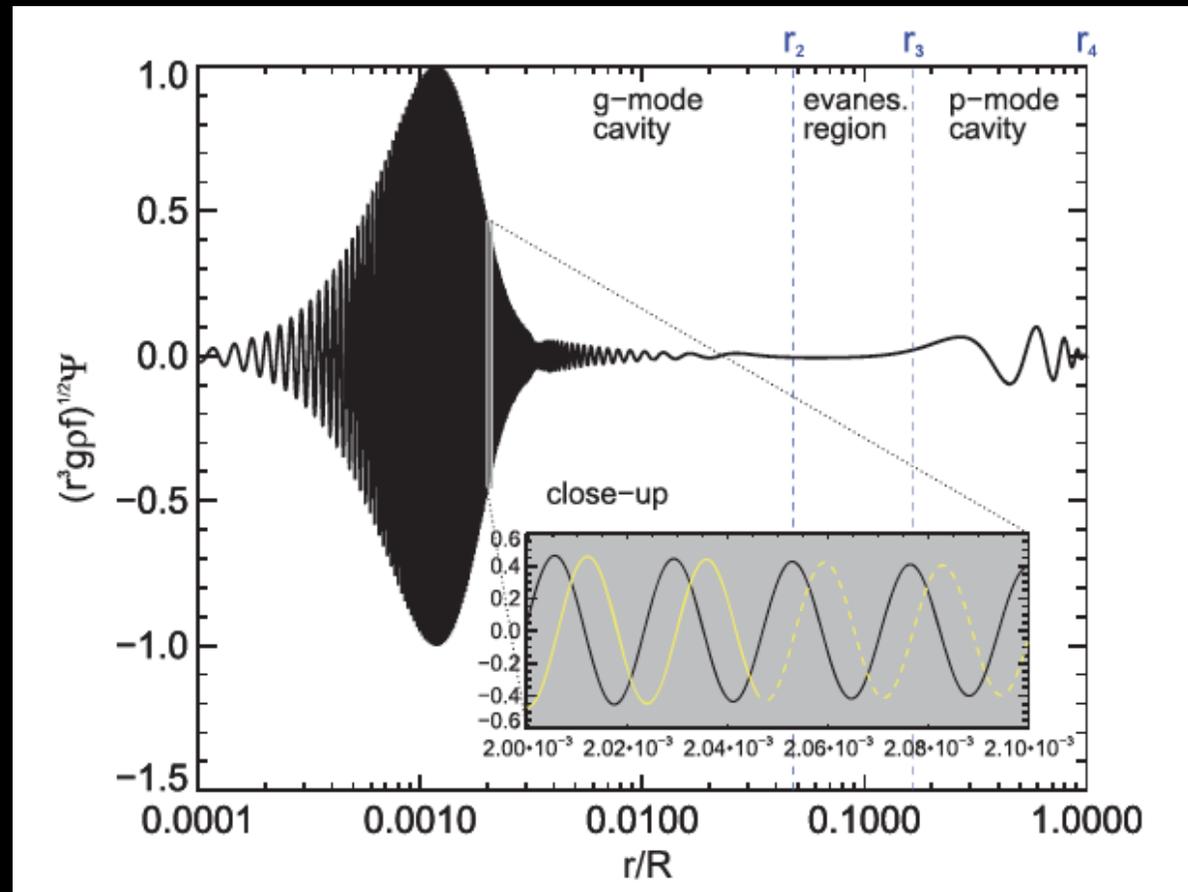
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Numerical results

Eigenfunctions

Cunha et al. 2015



*A number of important things
that were left out*

- The actual asymptotic analysis:
 - => analytical solutions for the **eigenfunctions** and **eigenfrequencies**
- Frequency combinations (large separation, small separations, ratios, etc)
- Inference methodologies (forward modelling, inverse modelling, glitches, etc)
- Deviations from spherical symmetry (rotation, magnetic effects, application of the variational principle)
- Mode excitation (stochastic, coherent)
- etc...

Asymptotic analysis

Linear, adiabatic oscillations in the Cowling approximation.

High n , low l , **acoustic** oscillations:

$$\mathbf{v}_{nl} \approx \left(n + \frac{l}{2} + \alpha \right) \Delta \mathbf{v}_0 + \text{higher order terms}$$

where

$$\Delta \mathbf{v}_0 = \left(2 \int_0^R \frac{dr}{c} \right)^{-1}$$

- $\Delta \mathbf{v}_0$ prop $(M/R^3)^{1/2}$
- α function of ν and is due to surface effects
- Note: $\nu = \omega/2\pi$

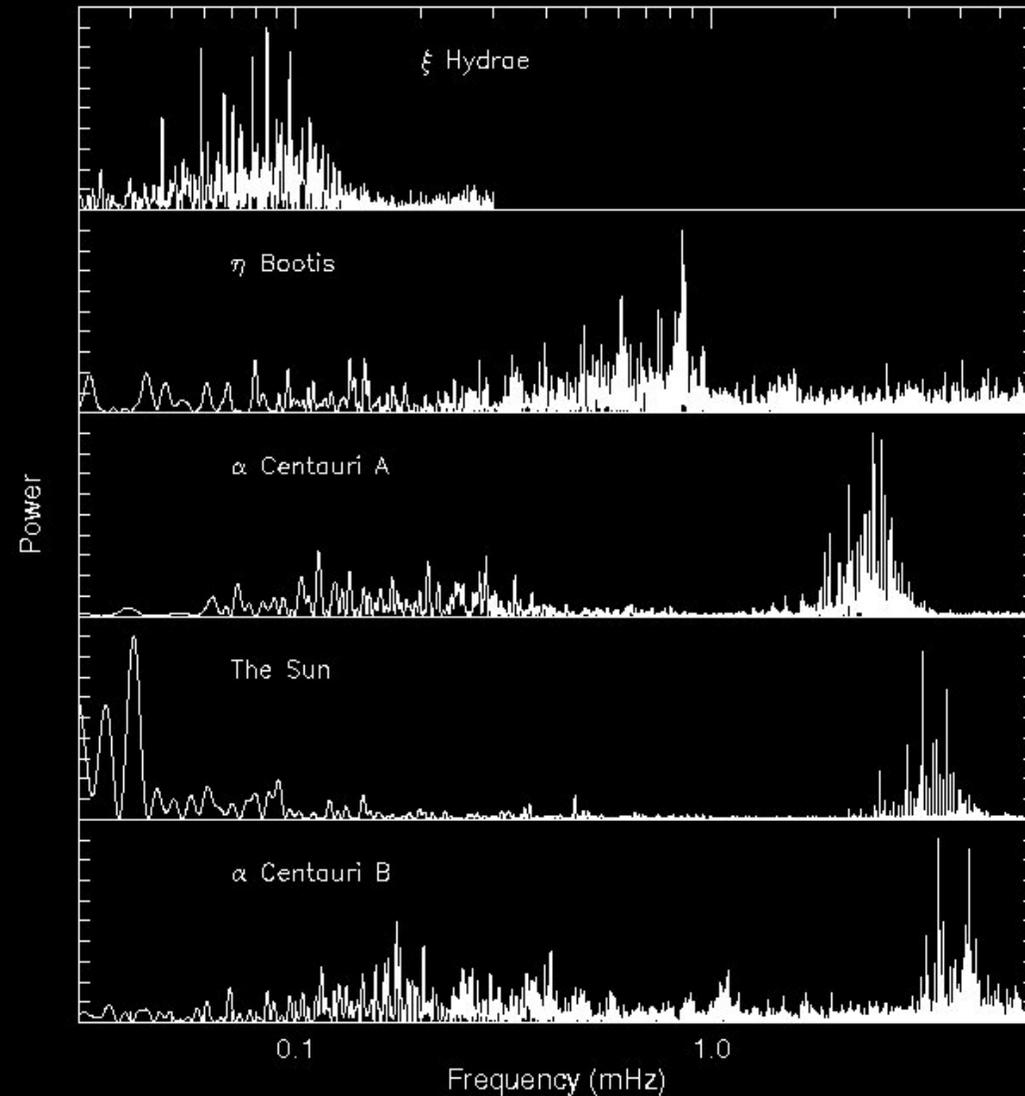
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Asymptotic analysis

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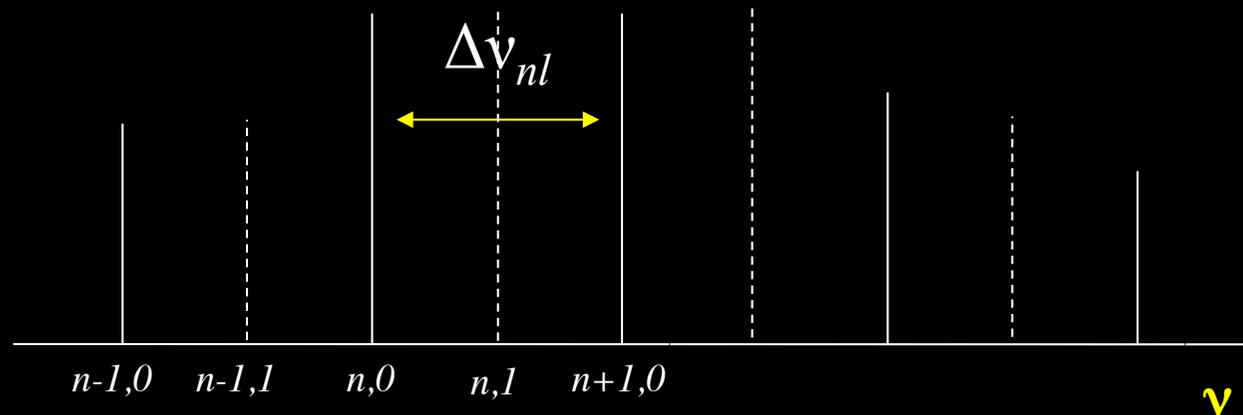
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Schematic
Power
Spectrum



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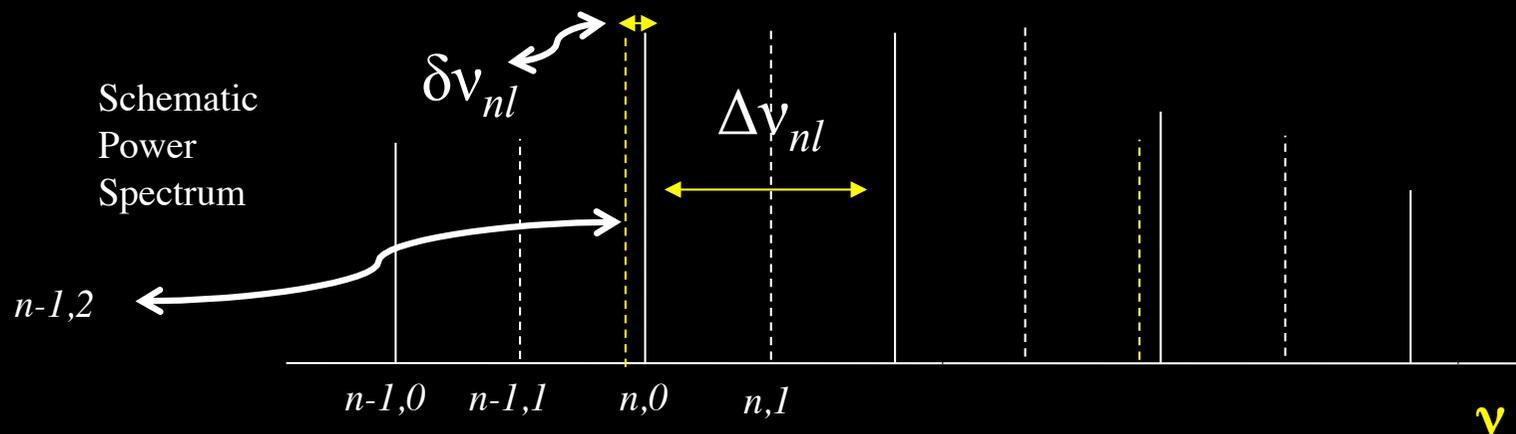
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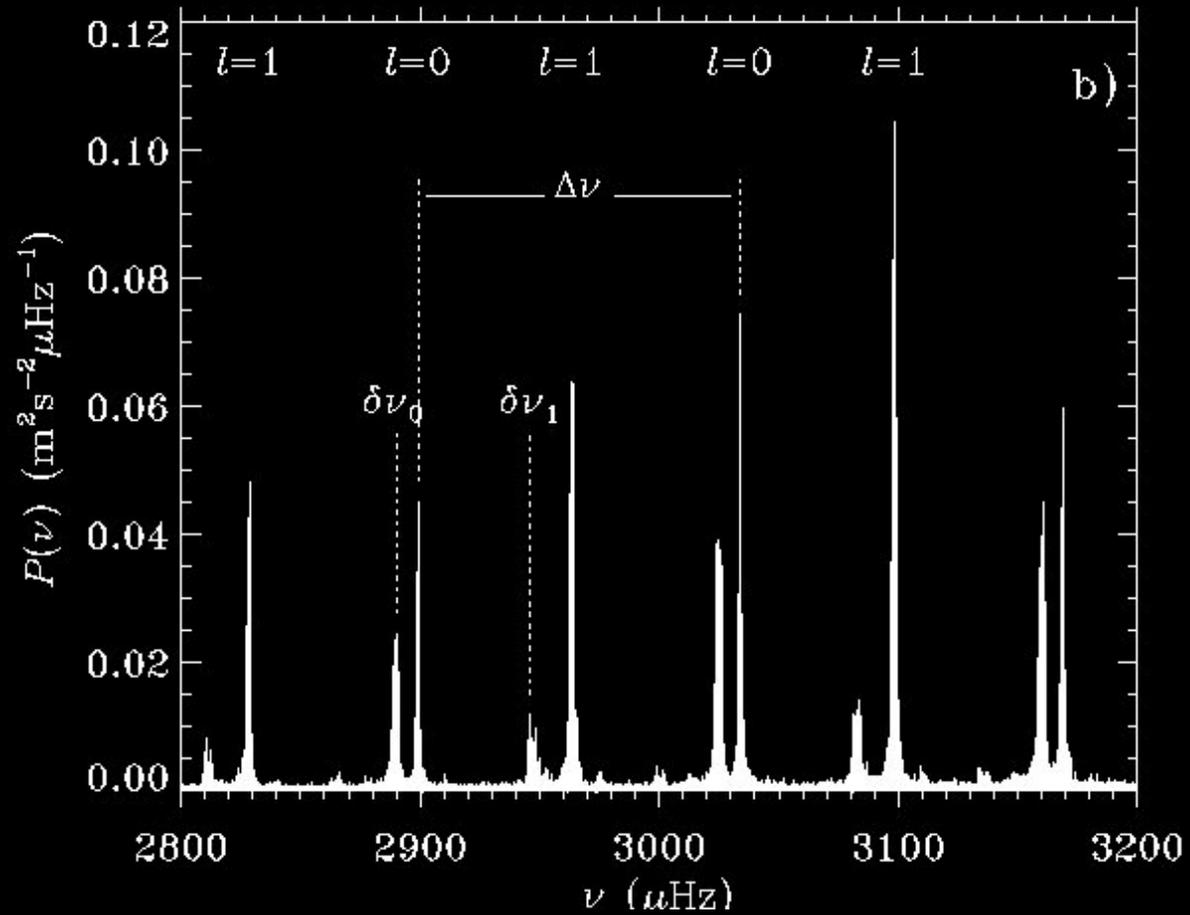
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Asymptotic analysis

Sun as a star



Enjoy the rest of the school
and have a great stay at
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THE END