V.Scattering resonances and inverse problems?

Workshop on Inverse Problems MSRI

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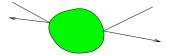
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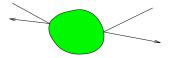
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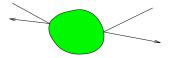
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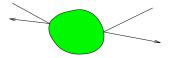
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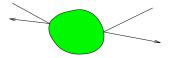
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Following the work of Dolgopyat and Naud, Petkov-Stoyanov 2007 prove much more: there exists $\delta > 0$ such that there are no resonances in

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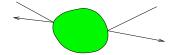
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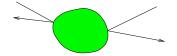
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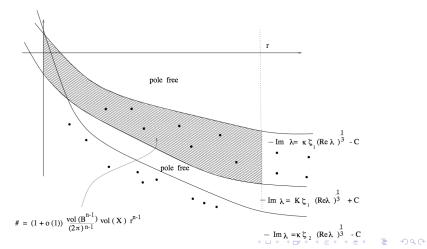


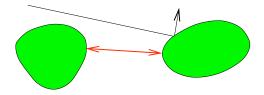
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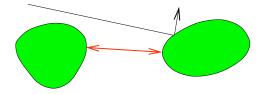
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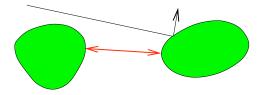






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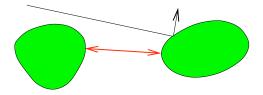




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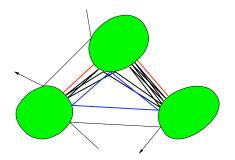
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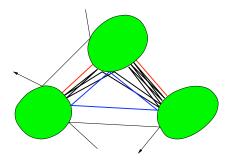
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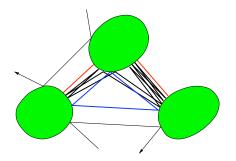
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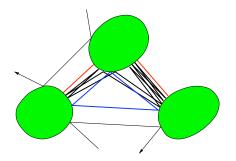
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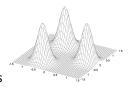
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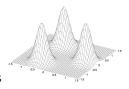
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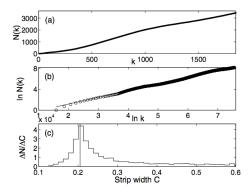


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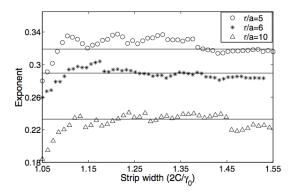
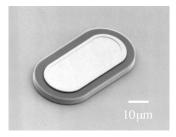


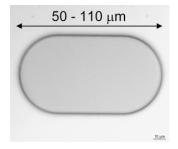
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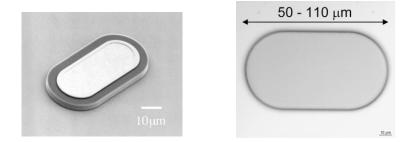
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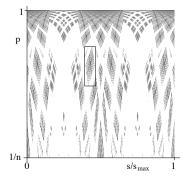
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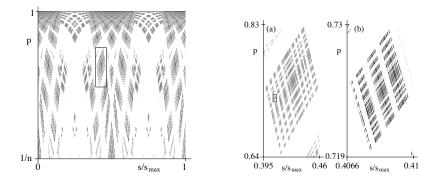
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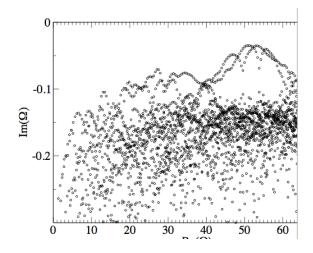


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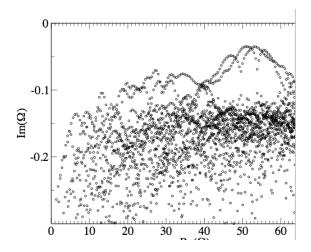
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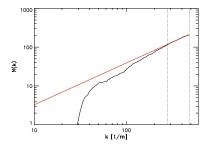
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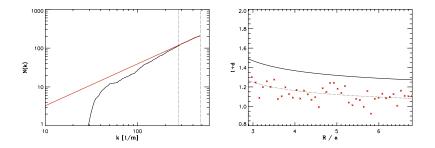
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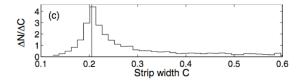
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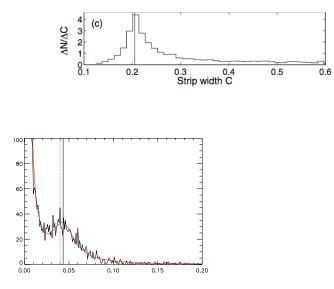
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