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Trajectory[shootingangle,tmax,r] draws a square table with a centered circular obstacle of radius r (default 0.5). Draws inside this support the trajectory of a ball starting at the bottom left corner with initial direction shootingangle, up to time tmax. "

Bundle::usage = "

Bundle[listofangles,tmax,r] draws a square table with a centered circular obstacle of radius r. Draws inside the trajectories of balls starting at the bottom left corner with initial directions read in listofangles, up to time tmax. "

Diff2::usage = "

Diff2[angle,dangle,tmax,r] simulates two trajectories of balls in a square table with a centered circular obstacle with radius r. Both trajectories start from the bottom left corner. They are followed up to time tmax. The shooting angle of the first trajectory is angle, its difference with the second shooting angle is dangle. The function represents three consecutive graphics. The first one is the billiard table with the two trajectories . The second one is the evolution of the absolute difference of angles as a function of time. The third one is the norm of the difference of positions as a function of time. "

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Begin["`Private`"]
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NextBounce[currentposition_List, r_] :=
Block[{xold, yold, aold, cosaold, sinaold, epsi = 10^(-6), tnorth, teast,
    tsouth, twest, tcircle1, tcircle2, delta, beta, trun, xnew, ynew, anew},
    (*Old coordinates-----*)xold = currentposition[[1]];
yold = currentposition[[2]];
aold = currentposition[[3]];
cosaold = Cos[aold];
sinaold = Sin[aold];
(*Hitting time of the four edges-----*)tnorth = (+1-yold) / sinaold;
If[tnorth < epsi, tnorth = Infinity];
teast = (+1-xold) / cosaold; If[teast < epsi, teast = Infinity];
tsouth = (-1-yold) / sinaold; If[tsouth < epsi, tsouth = Infinity];</pre>
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twest = (-1 - xold) / cosaold; If[twest < epsi, twest = Infinity];</pre>
  (*Hitting time of the circular obstacle----*)
  delta = (xold * cosaold + yold * sinaold)^2 - (xold^2 + yold^2 - r^2);
  If [delta > 0, (delta = Sqrt[delta];
    tcircle1 = - (xold * cosaold + yold * sinaold) + delta;
    If[tcircle1 < epsi, tcircle1 = Infinity];</pre>
    tcircle2 = - (xold * cosaold + yold * sinaold) - delta;
    If[tcircle2 < epsi, tcircle2 = Infinity];), (tcircle1 = Infinity;</pre>
    tcircle2 = Infinity;)];
  (*Next bounce is at minimal hitting time----*)
  trun = Min[{tnorth, teast, tsouth, twest, tcircle1, tcircle2}];
  Switch Position [{tnorth, teast, tsouth, twest, tcircle1, tcircle2}, trun] [[1, 1]], 1,
   (*Next bounce on north edge------) (xnew = xold + trun * cosaold;
    ynew = 1.;
    anew = N[2 * Pi] - aold;), 2,
   xnew = 1.;
    anew = N[Pi] - aold;
    If [anew < 0, anew = anew + N[2 * Pi]];), 3,
   (*Next bounce on south edge-------) (xnew = xold + trun * cosaold;
    ynew = -1.;
    anew = N[2 * Pi] - aold;), 4,
   xnew = -1.;
    anew = N[Pi] - aold;
    If [anew < 0, anew = anew + N[2 * Pi]];), 5,
   (*Next bounce on circle-----*) (xnew = xold + trun * cosaold;
    ynew = yold + trun * sinaold;
    anew = Mod[2 * ArcTan[xnew, ynew] - aold, N[2 * Pi]];), 6,
   ynew = yold + trun * sinaold;
    anew = Mod[2 * ArcTan[xnew, ynew] - aold - N[Pi], N[2 * Pi]];)];
  (*Protection against leaky corners----*)
  If \lceil (Abs[xnew * ynew] > 1 - epsi), If \lceil (aold < N[Pi/2]),
    anew = N[3 * Pi / 2] - aold, If [(aold < N[Pi]), anew = N[5 * Pi / 2] - aold,
     If \lceil (aold < N[3 * Pi/2]), anew = N[3 * Pi/2] - aold, anew = N[3 * Pi/2] - aold \rceil \rceil \rceil \rceil;
  Return[{xnew, ynew, anew, currentposition[[4]] + trun}];]
Trajectory[shootingangle , tmax , r ] :=
  Block \{\text{running} = 0., \text{traj} = \{\{-1., -1.\}\}, \text{next}\}, \text{next} = \{-1., -1., \text{N[shootingangle]}, 0.\};
   While|running < N[tmax], (next = NextBounce[next, r];</pre>
     traj = Append[traj, Take[next, 2]];
     running = Last[next];)|;
   Show[Graphics[{Thickness[0.01], Line[{{-1, -1}, {-1, 1}, {1, 1}, {1, -1}, {-1, -1}}],
      Circle[\{0, 0\}, r], Thickness[[0.005], Line[traj]\}], AspectRatio \rightarrow 1];
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Bundle[listofangles_List, tmax_, r_] :=
  Block [nbtraj, running = 0., traj, next, i, g1, g2}, nbtraj = Length[listofangles];
   traj = Table[{{-1., -1.}}, {nbtraj}];
   Do[(next = {-1., -1., N[listofangles[[i]]], 0.};
      running = 0.;
     While|running < N[tmax], (next = NextBounce[next, r];</pre>
        traj[[i]] = Append[traj[[i]], Take[next, 2]];
        running = Last[next];)];), {i, 1, nbtraj}];
   g1 = Graphics[{Thickness[0.01],
       Line[{{-1, -1}, {-1, 1}, {1, 1}, {1, -1}, {-1, -1}}], Circle[{0, 0}, r]}];
   g2 = Table[Graphics[{Thickness[0.005], Line[traj[[i]]]}], {i, 1, nbtraj}];
   Show[Prepend[g2, g1], AspectRatio \rightarrow 1]];
Diff2[angle , dangle , tmax , r ] :=
  Block [{listofangles, running = 0., traj, next, i, g1, g2, angles, diffangles,
    aold, diffpos, i1, i2}, listofangles = N[{angle, angle + dangle}];
   traj = Table[{{-1., -1., listofangles[[i]], 0.}}, {i, 1, 2}];
   Do[(next = {-1., -1., listofangles[[i]], 0.};
      running = 0.;
     While running < N[tmax], (next = NextBounce[next, r];</pre>
        traj[[i]] = Append[traj[[i]], next];
        running = Last[next];)];), {i, 1, 2}];
    (*Computation of differences----*)
   angles = Table[Transpose[Drop[Transpose[traj[[i]]], 2]], {i, 1, 2}];
   aold = Abs[dangle];
   diffangles = {{0., aold}};
   diffpos = {{0., 0.}};
   i1 = 2; i2 = 2;
   While [(i1 \le Length[angles[[1]]]) & (i2 \le Length[angles[[2]]]),
     (If angles [[1, i1, 2]] < angles [[2, i2, 2]],
        (diffangles = Append[diffangles, {angles[[1, i1, 2]], aold}];
         aold = Abs[angles[[1, i1, 1]] - angles[[2, i2 - 1, 1]]];
         diffangles = Append[diffangles, {angles[[1, i1, 2]], aold}];
          Append[diffpos, {angles[[1, i1, 2]], Sqrt[(traj[[1, i1, 1]] - traj[[2, i2 - 1, 1]] -
                   (traj[[2, i2, 1]] - traj[[2, i2 - 1, 1]]) * (angles[[1, i1, 2]] - angles[[
                        2, i2 - 1, 2]]) / (angles[[2, i2, 2]] - angles[[2, i2 - 1, 2]]))^2+
               (traj[[1, i1, 2]] - traj[[2, i2 - 1, 2]] - (traj[[2, i2, 2]] -
                      traj[[2, i2 - 1, 2]]) * (angles[[1, i1, 2]] - angles[[2, i2 - 1, 2]]) /
                     (angles[[2, i2, 2]] - angles[[2, i2 - 1, 2]]))^2]}];
         i1 = i1 + 1;), (diffangles = Append[diffangles, {angles[[2, i2, 2]], aold}];
         aold = Abs[angles[[1, i1 - 1, 1]] - angles[[2, i2, 1]]];
         diffangles = Append[diffangles, {angles[[2, i2, 2]], aold}];
         diffpos =
          Append[diffpos, {angles[[2, i2, 2]], Sqrt[(traj[[2, i2, 1]] - traj[[1, i1 - 1, 1]] -
                   (traj[[1, i1, 1]] - traj[[1, i1 - 1, 1]]) * (angles[[2, i2, 2]] - angles[[
                        1, i1 - 1, 2]]) / (angles[[1, i1, 2]] - angles[[1, i1 - 1, 2]]))^2+
               (traj[[2, i2, 2]] - traj[[1, i1 - 1, 2]] - (traj[[1, i1, 2]] -
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traj[[1, i1 - 1, 2]]) * (angles[[2, i2, 2]] - angles[[1, i1 - 1, 2]]) /
                           (angles[[1, i1, 2]] - angles[[1, i1 - 1, 2]]))^2]}];
               i2 = i2 + 1;);;;;
         (*Representation of trajectories-----*)g1 = Graphics[{Thickness[0.01],
            Line[{{-1, -1}, {-1, 1}, {1, 1}, {1, -1}, {-1, -1}}], Circle[{0, 0}, r]}];
         g2 = Table[Graphics[{Thickness[0.005], Line[
               Transpose[Take[Transpose[traj[[i]]], 2]]]}], {i, 1, 2}];
         Show[Prepend[g2, g1], AspectRatio \rightarrow 1, ImageSize \rightarrow 200]
          (*Representation of angle differences----*)
          Show[Graphics[{Thickness[0.005], Line[diffangles]}], Axes → True, Frame → True,
           AxesLabel → {"Time", "Difference of angles"}, AspectRatio → 1, ImageSize → 200]
          (*Representation of position differences----*)
          Show[Graphics[{Thickness[0.005], Line[diffpos]}], Axes → True, Frame → True,
           AxesLabel \rightarrow {"Time", "Difference of positions"}, AspectRatio \rightarrow 1, ImageSize \rightarrow 200] |;
     End[]
      EndPackage[]
Out[42]= UVW`Billiard`
Out[43]=
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Out[44]=

Trajectory[shootingangle,tmax,r] draws a square table with a centered circular obstacle of radius r (default 0.5). Draws inside this support the trajectory of a ball starting at the bottom left corner with initial direction shootingangle, up to time tmax.

Out[45]=

Bundle[listofangles,tmax,r] draws a square table with a centered circular obstacle of radius r. Draws inside the trajectories of balls starting at the bottom left corner with initial directions read in listofangles, up to time tmax.

Diff2: Symbol Diff2 appears in multiple contexts {UVW`Billiard`, Global`}; definitions in context UVW`Billiard` may shadow or be shadowed by other definitions.

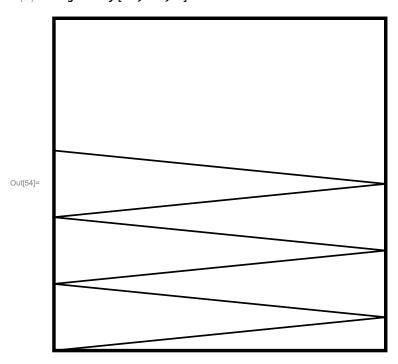
Out[46]=

Diff2[angle,dangle,tmax,r] simulates two trajectories of balls in a square table with a centered circular obstacle with radius r. Both trajectories start from the bottom left corner. They are followed up to time tmax. The shooting angle of the first trajectory is angle, its difference with the second shooting angle is dangle. The function represents three consecutive graphics. The first one is the billiard table with the two trajectories . The second one is the evolution of the absolute difference of angles as a function of time. The third one is the norm of the difference of positions as a function of time.

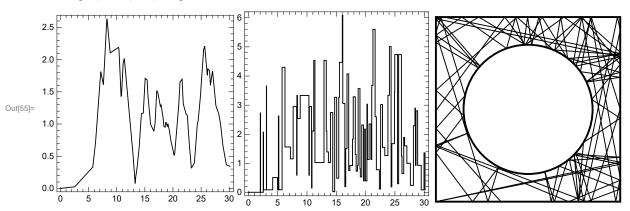
Out[47]= UVW`Billiard`Private`

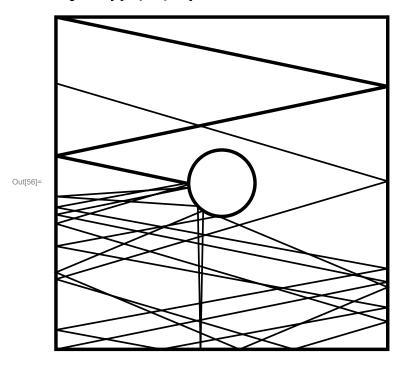
Out[52]= UVW`Billiard`Private`

In[54]:= Trajectory[.1, 12, 0]

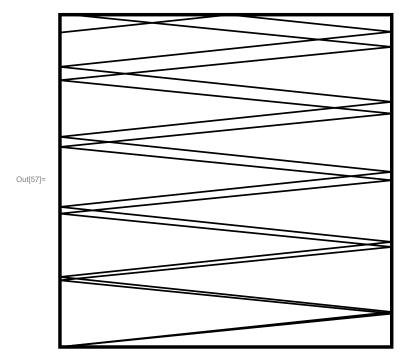


In[55]:= **Diff2[.2, .01, 30, .7**]





In[57]:= Bundle[{.1, .105}, 20, 0]

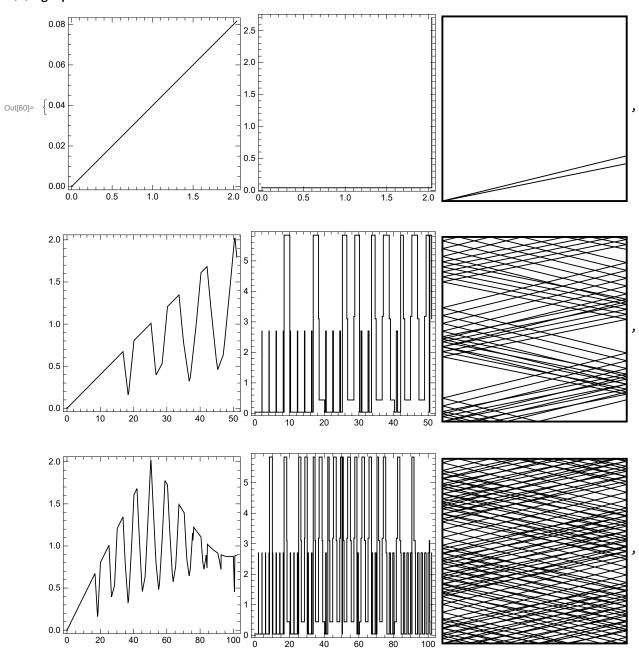


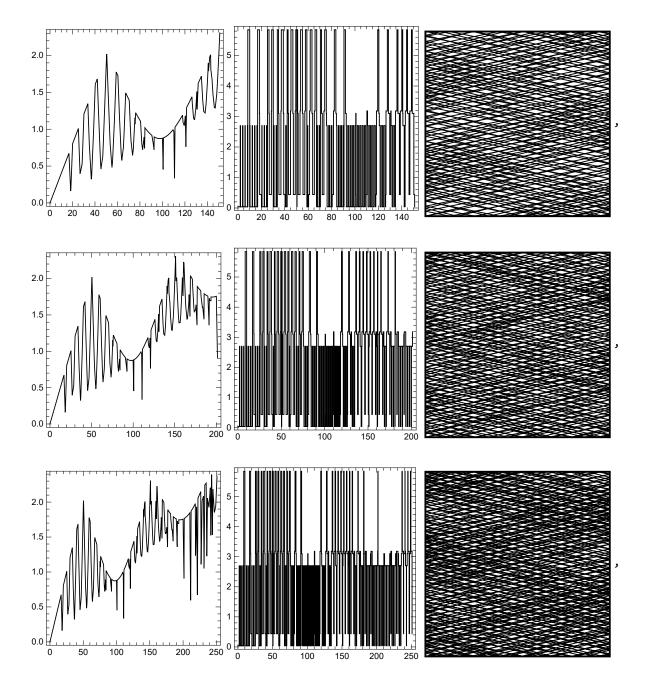
In[58]:=

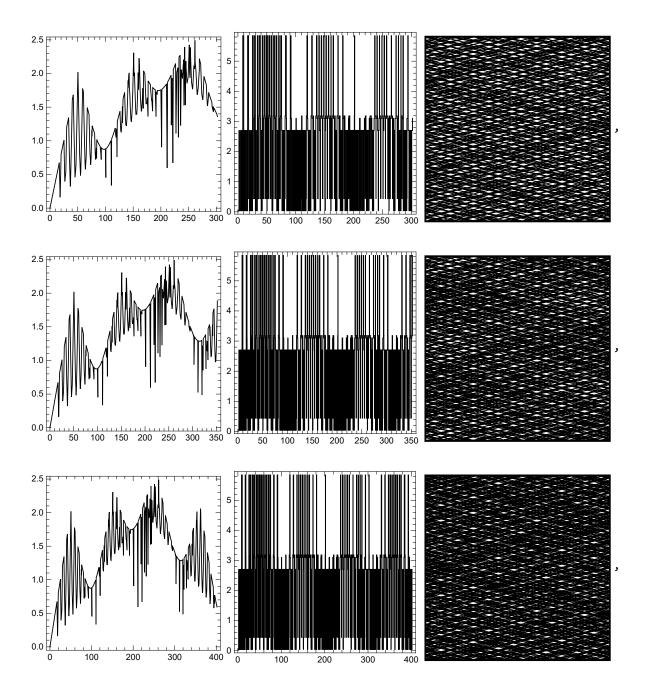
(★ I will analyze spacing between two objects using Diff2 by varying tmax ★) graphs = {};

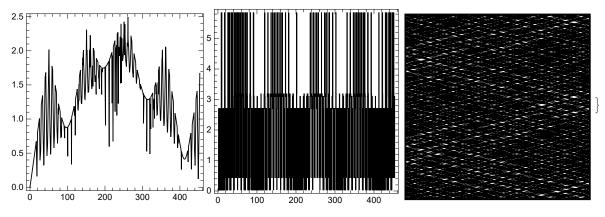
For [i = 1, i < 500, i = i + 50, AppendTo[graphs, Diff2[.2, .04, i, 0]]];







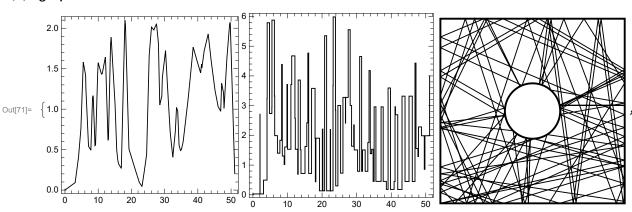


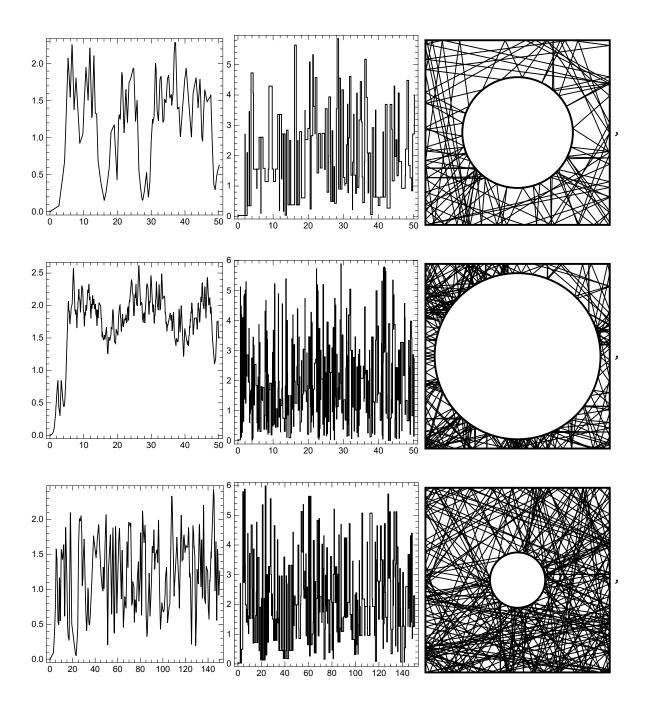


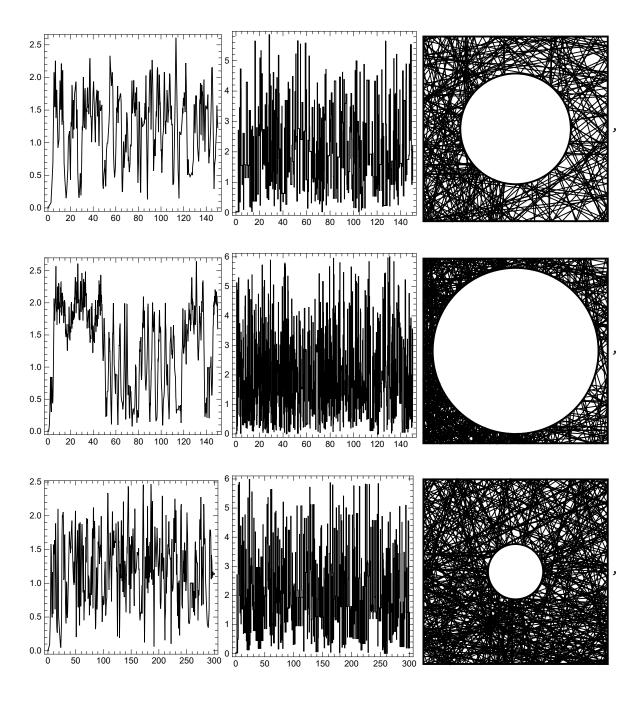
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In[61]:= (* I will analyze varying the size of the object,
     while also varying tmax. I will use a 3 sizes, and 3 times *)
     graphs2 = {}
     AppendTo[graphs2, Diff2[.2, .03, 50, .3]];
Out[61]= { }
In[63]:= AppendTo[graphs2, Diff2[.2, .03, 50, .6]];
     AppendTo[graphs2, Diff2[.2, .03, 50, .9]];
     AppendTo[graphs2, Diff2[.2, .03, 150, .3]];
     AppendTo[graphs2, Diff2[.2, .03, 150, .6]];
     AppendTo[graphs2, Diff2[.2, .03, 150, .9]];
     AppendTo[graphs2, Diff2[.2, .03, 300, .3]];
     AppendTo[graphs2, Diff2[.2, .03, 300, .6]];
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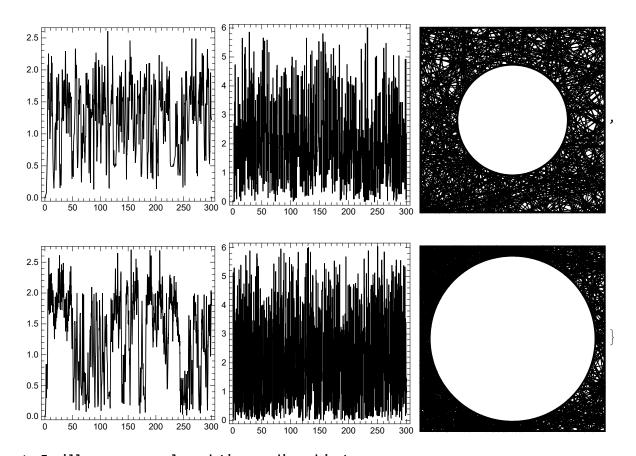
AppendTo[graphs2, Diff2[.2, .03, 300, .9]];

In[71]:= graphs2



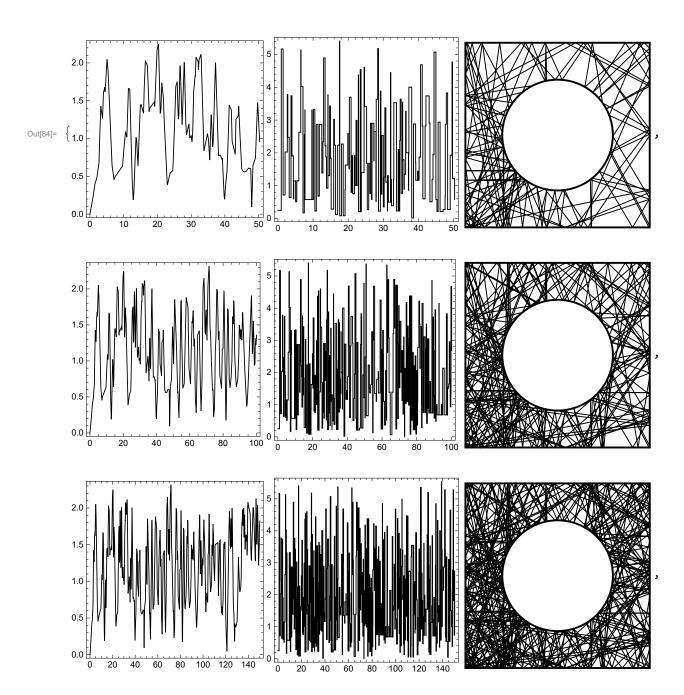


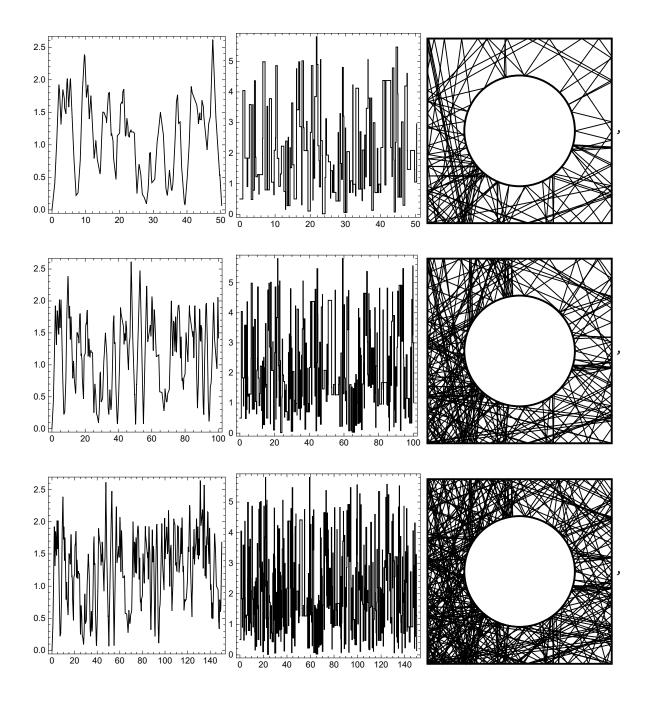


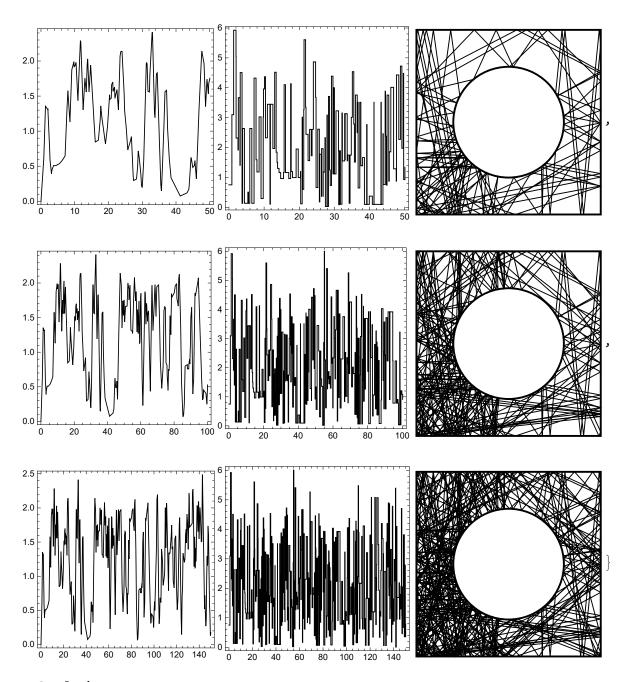


ln[82]:= (* I will now vary angle and time, medium object, small, medium, and large for both angle and time *) $graphs2 = {}$ Out[82]= { } time = 50; In[83]:= For[i = 1, i < 4, i++, AppendTo[graphs2, Diff2[.2, i/4, time * 1, .6]]; AppendTo [graphs2, Diff2[.2, i/4, time * 2, .6]];AppendTo [graphs2, Diff2[.2, i/4, time * 3, .6]];];

In[84]:= graphs2







In[102]:= (* Conclusions so

far: A greater angle will produce more random results with no object in the middle. *) (* With an object in the middle, greater time will produce more random results, and the angle does not matter *)

(* Now we need to study the size of the object to see if that matters. Time is varied with object size, angle is held constant *)

 $graphs3 = {}$

Out[102]= { }

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time = 50;
a = .3
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In[103]:= AppendTo[graphs3, Diff2[.2, .04, 50, .3]]; AppendTo[graphs3, Diff2[.2, .04, 50, .5]]; AppendTo[graphs3, Diff2[.2, .04, 50, .7]]; AppendTo[graphs3, Diff2[.2, .04, 100, .3]]; AppendTo[graphs3, Diff2[.2, .04, 100, .5]]; AppendTo[graphs3, Diff2[.2, .04, 100, .7]]; AppendTo[graphs3, Diff2[.2, .04, 150, .3]]; AppendTo[graphs3, Diff2[.2, .04, 150, .5]]; AppendTo[graphs3, Diff2[.2, .04, 150, .7]];

In[112]:= graphs3

