

Generalized Collision Rules in Interacting Particle Systems: Lyapunov Exponents and Measures of Chaos

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Motivation

This poster presents the dynamics of generalized binary collisions and the associated results for quantitative measures of chaos reduction, relative to the elastic collision rule [Del96, Eck05], in interacting particle systems. These results lend credence to the idea that such generalized collisions can indeed lead to self-organization in these systems.

Dellago *et. al* proposed a method for computing the Lyapunov exponents of continuous-time systems that undergo elastic collisions [Del96]. We extend these results to the case of *generalized binary collision rules* between particles in two-dimensions. We present the computation of the Lyapunov spectra for these generalized collision rules, along with the associated modes.

Highlights

$\beta = 0$	velocity swap ($\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{M}^{-1}$)
$0 < \beta < 1$	not time-reversible ($\mathbf{M} \neq \mathbf{M}^{-1}$)
$\beta = 1$	elastic collision rule ($\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{M}^{-1}$)

Table 1: Description of dynamics for different β ; \mathbf{M} is the collision rule; see “Dynamics in the Presence of a Generalized Collision” section.

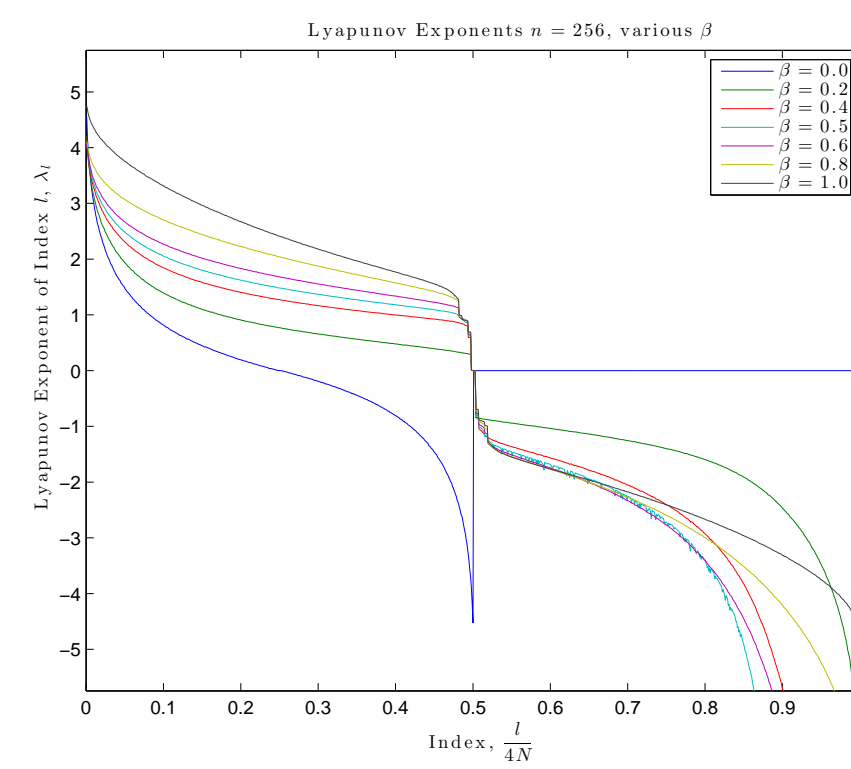


Figure 1: Lyapunov spectra for various β . For $0 < \beta < 1$, spectra are asymmetric about the center-index, indicating the collision rule is not time-reversible.

- As β changes, so to do measures of intrinsic chaos within the system: the maximal Lyapunov exponent, λ_1 , and the Kolmogorov-Sinai entropy per particle, h_{KS}/N .
- Cumulative effect of collisions is different from elastic case. Even though all events happen locally in space, changing β has global effect on the dynamics.

Visualization of a Binary Collision

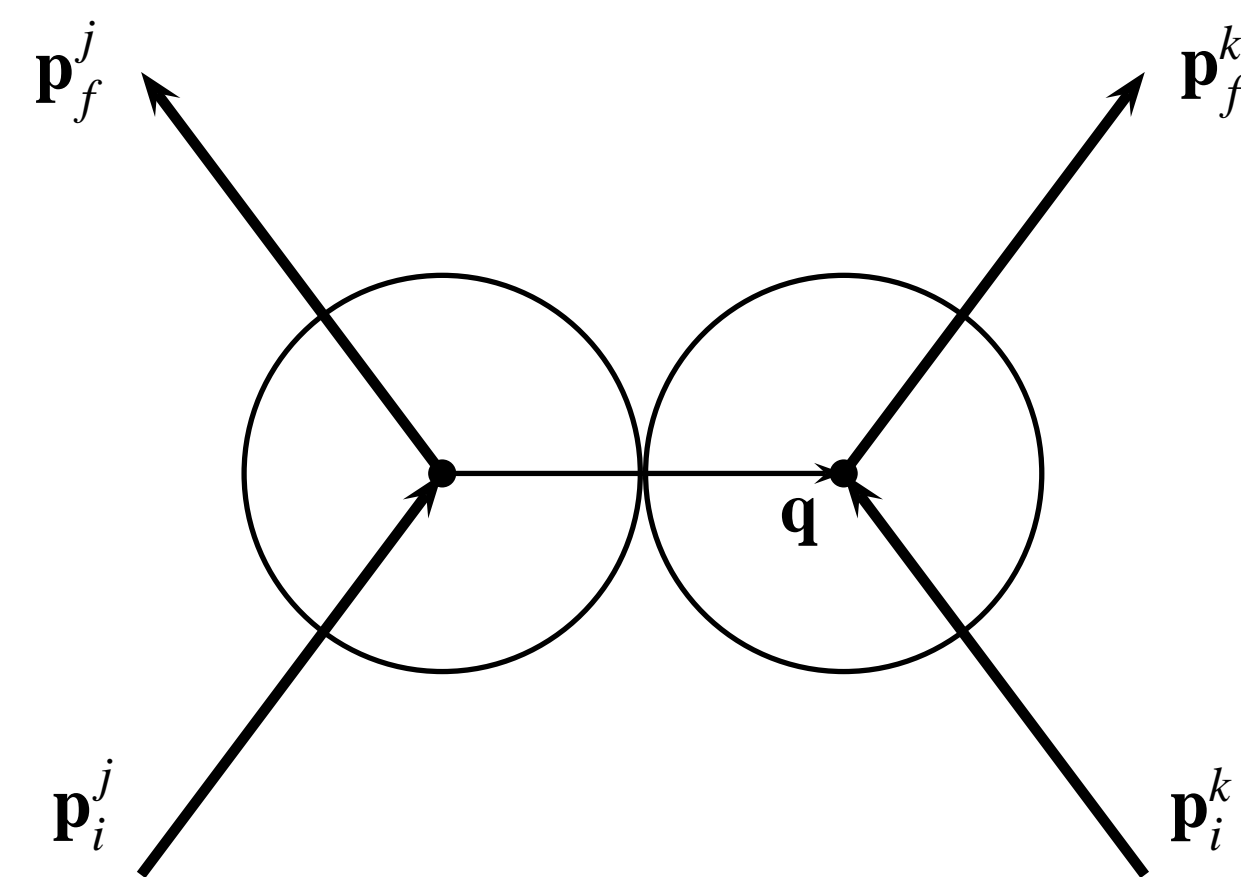


Figure 2: Binary collision in forward-time. Disks j and k , each with diameter $\sigma = \|\mathbf{q}\|_2$, undergo a collision. The vectors $\mathbf{p}_i^j, \mathbf{p}_f^j$ represent the momenta of particle j before and after collision, respectively. At impact, each particle maintains a weighted portion of the component of its momentum that is normal to \mathbf{q} , the vector connecting the particles' centers, while a repulsive force (anti-)parallel to \mathbf{q} is applied to each particle such that (i) the particles move away from each other after collision and (ii) total kinetic energy is conserved.

Dynamics in the Presence of a Generalized Collision

The dynamics for N particles of equal mass m and diameter σ moving on the 2-torus $\mathbb{T}^2 = \{(x \bmod L_x, y \bmod L_y)^\top \mid L_x, L_y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is represented by the state Γ . To compute Lyapunov exponents, we are interested in the dynamics of the perturbation vector $\delta\Gamma$,

$$\Gamma := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Q} \\ \mathbf{P} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{q}^1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{q}^N \\ \mathbf{p}^1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{p}^N \end{pmatrix}, \quad \delta\Gamma := \begin{pmatrix} \delta\mathbf{Q} \\ \delta\mathbf{P} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \delta\mathbf{q}^1 \\ \vdots \\ \delta\mathbf{q}^N \\ \delta\mathbf{p}^1 \\ \vdots \\ \delta\mathbf{p}^N \end{pmatrix}.$$

where $\mathbf{q}^j := (q^{1j} \ q^{2j})^\top$ and $\mathbf{p}^j := (p^{1j} \ p^{2j})^\top$ are the position and momentum of particle j , respectively, and $\delta\mathbf{q}^j := (\delta q^{1j} \ \delta q^{2j})^\top$ and $\delta\mathbf{p}^j := (\delta p^{1j} \ \delta p^{2j})^\top$ are the associated perturbations. $\Gamma, \delta\Gamma$ are $4N$ -dimensional vectors. The dynamics are described by two alternating stages: free flight and collision.

1. Phase-space dynamics

- Free-flight: Motion absent an external force (continuous-time)

$$\frac{d\Gamma(t)}{dt} = \mathbf{F}(\Gamma(t)) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\mathbf{p}}{m} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix},$$

- Collision: Instantaneous change in momenta of colliding particles (discrete-time). All particle positions and momenta of non-colliding particles are invariant under the collision transformation. The value α ensures conservation of total kinetic energy at collision. The collision map, \mathbf{M} , takes the state before collision, Γ_i , to the final state Γ_f :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Q}_f &= \mathbf{Q}_i, \\ \mathbf{p}_f^l &= \mathbf{p}_i^l, \quad l \neq j, k \\ \mathbf{p}_f^j &= \beta \mathbf{p}_i^j + (1 - \beta) \mathbf{p}_i^k + \alpha d\mathbf{p}, \\ \mathbf{p}_f^k &= (1 - \beta) \mathbf{p}_i^j + \beta \mathbf{p}_i^k - \alpha d\mathbf{p}, \\ \beta \in [0, 1], \quad \alpha &= \frac{2\beta - 1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{(2\beta - 1)^2 (\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 - 4\beta(\beta - 1)(\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{p})\sigma^2}}{2|\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p}|}, \end{aligned}$$

$d\mathbf{p} := (\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p})\mathbf{q}/\sigma^2$; $\mathbf{q} := \mathbf{q}_i^k - \mathbf{q}_i^j$ and $\mathbf{p} := \mathbf{p}_i^k - \mathbf{p}_i^j$ are the relative position and momentum of particles j and k before collision. Terms due to the generalized collision rule that are not present in the elastic case are highlighted in red.

2. Linearized Dynamics of Perturbations

- Free-flight:

$$\frac{d(\delta\Gamma)}{dt} = J_{\mathbf{F}}(\Gamma)\delta\Gamma = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\delta\mathbf{P}}{m} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix},$$

- Collision: Perturbations introduce a time offset ($\delta\tau_c$) between collision in the reference trajectory (at τ_c) and a perturbed trajectory (at $\tau_c + \delta\tau_c$) [Del96]. Again assuming that particles j and k undergo collision ($l \neq j, k$):

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\mathbf{q}_f^l &= \delta\mathbf{q}_i^l, \quad \delta\mathbf{p}_f^l = \delta\mathbf{p}_i^l, \\ \delta\mathbf{q}_f^j &= \delta\mathbf{q}_i^j + \left[(1 - \beta)\mathbf{p} + \frac{\alpha(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p})\mathbf{q}}{\sigma^2} \right] \left(\frac{\delta\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{q}}{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}} \right), \\ \delta\mathbf{q}_f^k &= \delta\mathbf{q}_i^k - \left[(1 - \beta)\mathbf{p} + \frac{\alpha(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p})\mathbf{q}}{\sigma^2} \right] \left(\frac{\delta\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{q}}{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}} \right), \\ \delta\mathbf{p}_f^j &= \beta\delta\mathbf{p}_i^j + (1 - \beta)\delta\mathbf{p}_i^k + \left(\frac{\alpha}{\sigma^2} + \kappa|\mathbf{p}|^2 \right) (\delta\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q} + \delta\mathbf{q}_c \cdot \mathbf{p})\mathbf{q} \\ &\quad + \frac{\alpha}{\sigma^2} (\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p})\delta\mathbf{q}_c - \kappa(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p})(\delta\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{p})\mathbf{q}, \\ \delta\mathbf{p}_f^k &= (1 - \beta)\delta\mathbf{p}_i^j + \beta\delta\mathbf{p}_i^k - \left(\frac{\alpha}{\sigma^2} + \kappa|\mathbf{p}|^2 \right) (\delta\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q} + \delta\mathbf{q}_c \cdot \mathbf{p})\mathbf{q} \\ &\quad - \frac{\alpha}{\sigma^2} (\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p})\delta\mathbf{q}_c + \kappa(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p})(\delta\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{p})\mathbf{q}, \\ \kappa &:= \frac{2\beta(\beta - 1)}{(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2(2(\alpha - \beta) + 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

In the above expressions, $\delta\mathbf{p} = \delta\mathbf{p}_i^k - \delta\mathbf{p}_i^j$ and $\delta\mathbf{q} = \delta\mathbf{q}_i^k - \delta\mathbf{q}_i^j$. The offset between the reference trajectory relative position vector before collision, \mathbf{q} , and a perturbed trajectory relative position vector before collision, $\mathbf{q} + \delta\mathbf{q}_c$, is $\delta\mathbf{q}_c := \delta\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{p}/m\delta\tau_c$.

Lyapunov Spectra and Modes

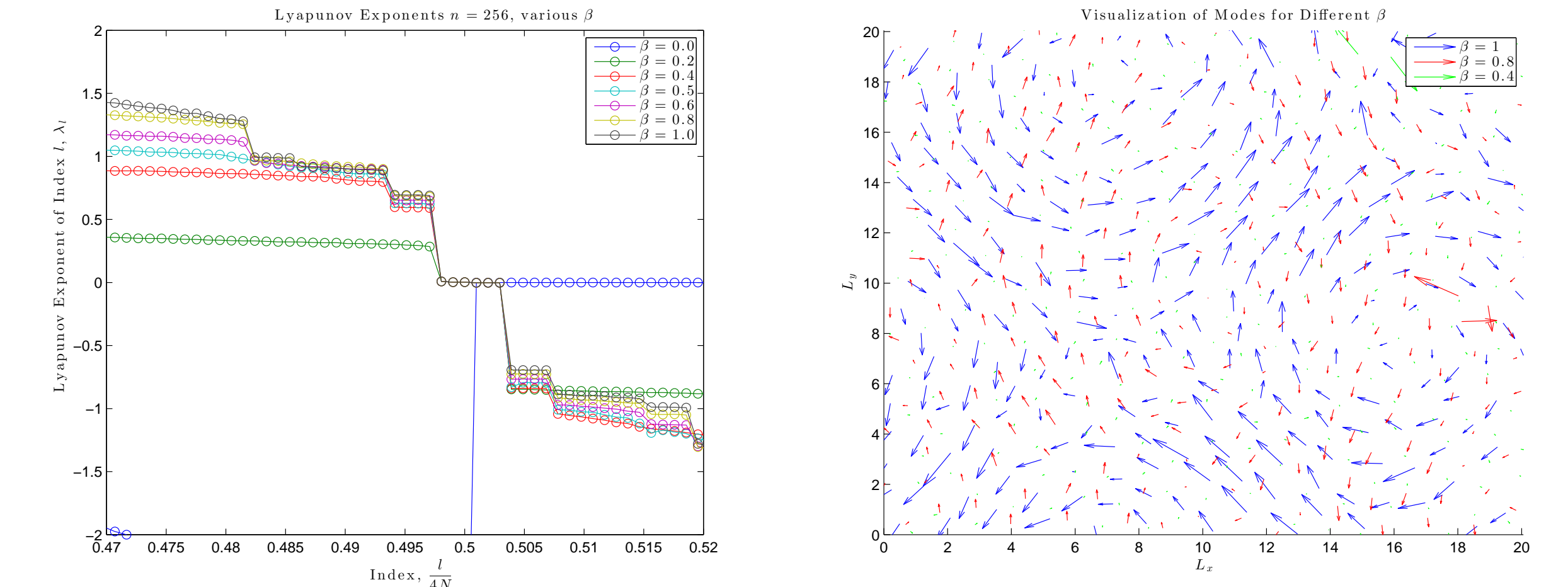


Figure 3: Left: Blown-up picture of Lyapunov spectra at density $\rho = 0.5$, aspect ratio $A = 1$ for $\beta = 0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.8$ and 1 . Step structure of spectra indicate the presence of “Lyapunov modes” associated with degenerate exponents for $\beta \approx 0.4$. For $0.2 < \beta < 0.4$ the step structure is diminished and degenerate exponents are no longer observed. Right: Picture of superposition of modes associated with index l such that $0.494 < \frac{l}{4N} < 0.498$ for $\beta = 0.4, 0.8$ and 1.0 . The Lyapunov modes present for $\beta < 1$ show breakdown of structure apparent in $\beta = 1$ case (elastic collisions).

Measures of Chaos

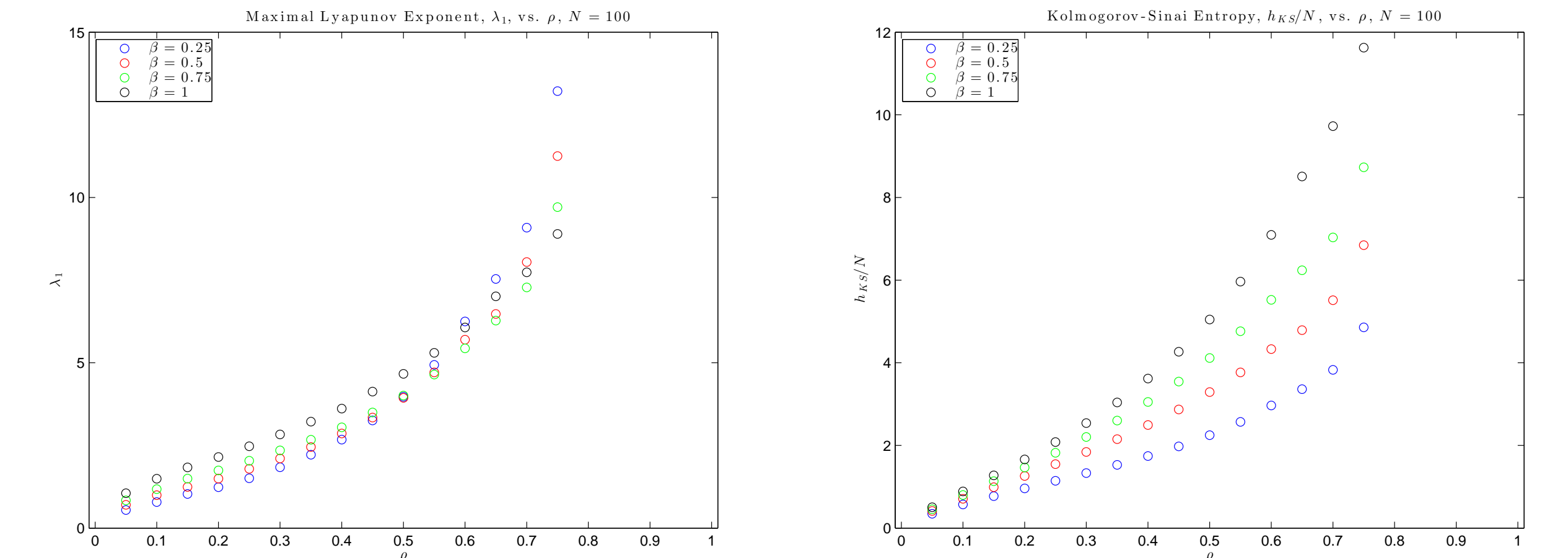


Figure 4: Left: Maximal Lyapunov exponent, λ_1 , for $\beta = 0.25, 0.5, 0.75$, and 1.0 as a function of volume density (packing fraction) ρ with aspect ratio $A = 1$. Right: Kolmogorov-Sinai entropy, $h_{KS}/N = \sum_{\{l: \lambda_l > 0\}} \lambda_l$. As ρ increases, the maximal exponent is larger for smaller β , while the Kolmogorov-Sinai entropy shows the opposite trend.

Conclusions and Future Work

- Changing β changes the microscopic dynamics and affects macroscopic order (e.g. entropy is reduced)
- Generalized collision rule: (i) is not time-reversible (except for $\beta = 0, 1$) and (ii) modes can no longer be specified entirely by position perturbations (some proportion of momentum perturbations needs to be considered).
- Further investigation is needed:
 - Classify structure of Lyapunov modes. **How is this structure related to the phase space dynamics?**
 - Since forward- and reverse-time dynamics are different, there should be some observable measure of the phase space dynamics that indicates whether or not the generalized collision rule induces self-organizing behavior. **What are the appropriate measures to show this self-organization?**

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