

## THE ORBIT STRUCTURE OF PSEUDOGROUP ON RIEMANN SURFACES VS. DYNAMICS OF ALGEBRAIC CURVES

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**ABSTRACT.** We investigate the dynamical properties of algebraic plane curves in  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{P}$ , and discuss the relation with pseudogroup of diffeomorphisms of the curves generated by the monodromy actions.

### INTRODUCTION

Let  $\Gamma$  be a pseudogroup consisting of diffeomorphisms  $f : U_f, 0 \rightarrow f(U_f), 0$  of open neighbourhoods  $U_f$  of the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$  which fix  $0 \in \mathbb{C}$ . We call the group  $\Gamma_0$  of the germs of those  $f \in \Gamma$  the *germ* of  $\Gamma$ , and call  $\Gamma$  a *representative* of  $\Gamma_0$ .  $\Gamma$  is *non-solvable* if its germ is non-solvable.

We say that a subset  $A \subset \mathbb{C}$  is *invariant under  $\Gamma$*  if  $f(A \cap U_f) = A \cap f(U_f)$  for all  $f \in \Gamma$ . We call a minimal invariant set an *orbit* (which is not necessarily closed). The orbit containing an  $x$  is unique and denoted  $\mathcal{O}(x)$ , which is the set of those  $f(z)$  with  $z \in U_f, f \in \Gamma$ . Let  $B_f$  denote the set of those  $z \in U_f$  such that  $f^{(n)}(z) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , where  $f^{(n)}$  stands for the  $n$ -iterated  $f \circ \dots \circ f$ . If  $f$  has the indifferent linear term  $z$  (in other words *parabolic* or *flat* at the origin),  $B_f \cup B_{f^{-1}}$  is an open neighbourhood of 0 (Proposition 2.4). The *basin*  $B_\Gamma$  is the set of points  $z$  for which the closure of the orbit contains the origin. Proposition 2.5 asserts that the basin is an open neighbourhood of the origin if an  $f \in \Gamma$  is flat.

Assume  $B_\Gamma$  is an open neighbourhood of 0. The *separatrix*  $\Sigma(\Gamma)$  for  $\Gamma$  is a closed real semianalytic subset of  $B_\Gamma$ , which possesses the following properties.

- (1)  $\Sigma(\Gamma)$  is invariant under  $\Gamma$  and smooth off 0,
- (2) The germ of  $\Sigma(\Gamma)$  at 0 is holomorphically diffeomorphic to a union of 0 and some branches of the real analytic curve  $\text{Im } z^k = 0$  for some  $k$ ,
- (3) Any orbit is dense or empty in each connected component of  $B_\Gamma - \Sigma(\Gamma)$ ,
- (4) Any orbit is dense or empty in each connected component of  $\Sigma(\Gamma) - 0$ .

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**Theorem 1. (The separatrix theorem).** *If the germ  $\Gamma_0$  of a pseudogroup  $\Gamma$  is non-solvable, then the basin  $B_\Gamma$  is a neighbourhood of 0 and  $\Gamma$  admits the separatrix  $\Sigma(\Gamma)$ .*

By definition, the separatrix  $\Sigma(\Gamma)$  is unique. From this theorem we obtain

**Corollary 2.** *If the germ  $\Gamma_0$  is non-solvable and the subgroup  $\Gamma_0^0$  of the germs of diffeomorphisms  $h \in \Gamma_0$  with the indifferent linear term does not admit antiholomorphic involution, then  $\Sigma(\Gamma) = 0$  and all orbits different from  $0 \in \mathbb{C}$  are dense or empty on a neighbourhood of 0.*

**Example 3.** Let  $f(z) = z/1 - z$ ,  $U_f = \mathbb{C} - \{1 < \operatorname{Re} z, \operatorname{Im} z = 0\}$ ,  $g(z) = \log(1 + z) = z - 1/2 z^2 + 1/3 z^3 - \dots$  and let  $U_g (\ni 1)$  be a small neighbourhood of 0, on which  $g$  restricts to a diffeomorphism onto the image  $g(U_g)$ . Let  $\Gamma$  be the pseudogroup generated by  $f$  and  $g$ . Since on the  $\tilde{z}$ -plane,  $\tilde{z} = 1/z$ ,  $f$  induces the translation by  $-1$ , the basin  $B_\Gamma$  is the whole plane  $\mathbb{C}$ . By Theorem 1.8, the group  $\Gamma_0$  generated by the germs of  $f, g$  at 0 is non solvable. The real line  $\mathbb{R}$  is invariant under the group  $\Gamma_0$  and there is no other invariant curves. If  $U_g$  is small enough:  $U_g \cap \mathbb{R}$  is contained in the half line  $\{-1 < \operatorname{Re} z, \operatorname{Im} x = 0\}$ , then  $g$  maps the real line  $U_g \cap \mathbb{R}$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  hence  $\mathbb{R}$  is invariant under  $\Gamma$ . Clearly  $\Gamma$  preserves the upper (respectively lower) half plane. Therefore we obtain

$$\Sigma(\Gamma) = \mathbb{R}.$$

Next extend  $g$  so that the domain of definition  $U_g$  intersects with the half line  $\mathbb{R}_{-1}^- = \{\operatorname{Re} z < -1, \operatorname{Im} x = 0\}$ . Then  $g$  maps the intersedtion  $U_g \cap \mathbb{R}_{-1}^-$  into the complement of the real line, where all orbits are locally dense. The local density holds also at the intersedtion  $U_g \cap \mathbb{R}_{-1}^-$  and propergates to the negative part of the real line  $\mathbb{R}^-$ . Therefore we obtain

$$\Sigma(\Gamma) = \mathbb{R}^+.$$

Let  $C \subset \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$  be an irreducible algebraic curve and  $\pi_x, \pi_y$  be the natural projection onto the first and the second coordinates. Assume that  $C$  is nondegenerate i.e.  $C$  does not contain a fiber of the projections. The equivalence relation  $\sim$  introduced on  $C$  is generated by the relations

$$p \sim q \quad \text{if} \quad \pi_x(p) = \pi_x(q) \quad \text{or} \quad \pi_y(p) = \pi_y(q).$$

Our problem is

**Problem 4.** *Study the structure of the equivalence classes.*

In order to observe the structure of the dynamics at infinity, we suppose  $C \subset \mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{P}$ . Level sets of a rational function on  $C$  form a pencil of zero divisors. So a morphism of  $C$  into  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{P}$  is determined by a pair of pencils  $(L, M)$  of zero divisors on  $C$ . Our problem is to study the geometry of the morphisms in terms of divisors in pencils.

In the paper [N1] the author proved

**Theorem 5(Rigidity theorem).** *Let  $E, F$  be non degenerate linear systems of effective divisors of Riemann surfaces  $C, C'$ . Assume that the image of the morphism of  $C$*

into the dual spaces of  $E, F$  are not of degree 3. Let  $h : C \rightarrow C'$  be an orientation preserving homeomorphism sending divisors in  $E$  to those in  $F$ . Then  $h$  is a holomorphic diffeomorphism.

This theorem tells that complex space curves are determined by the structure of hyperplane sections. Our problem can be regarded as the special case of the above theorem. The theorem suggests

**Question 6.** Let  $C, C'$  be irreducible and nondegenerate algebraic curves in  $\mathbb{P} \times \mathbb{P}$ . Let  $\phi, \psi$  be orientation preserving homeomorphisms of  $\mathbb{P}$  such that  $\phi \times \psi(C) = C'$ . Then are  $\phi, \psi$  Möbius transformations?

In some special cases the answer is affirmative. From now on we seek a method to study the structure of the equivalence classes.

If these projections restrict respectively to  $d$  and  $e$  sheeted branched coverings of  $C$ , we say  $C$  is of degree  $(d, e)$ . Two curves  $C, C'$  are *equivalent* if  $C' = \phi \times \psi(C)$  with Möbius transformation  $\phi, \psi$  of the coordinate lines. Let  $p$  be a singular point of  $C$  in the sense that either of the coordinate projections of  $C$  is not nonsingular and the local multiplicity of the first and second projections are respectively  $d', e'$ . Let  $t$  be a local coordinate of the curve centered at  $p$ . Then the monodromy action of the first and second projections are respectively order  $d', e'$  and generate a pseudogroup of diffeomorphisms of open neighbourhoods of 0 in the  $t$  line. The orbit of  $p$  under this pseudogroup  $\Gamma_p$  is contained in the equivalence class  $\mathcal{O}(p)$  under the relation above introduced. If the germ  $G_p$  of the pseudogroup is non-solvable, the orbits under  $\Gamma_p$  are dense in some sectors of the basin  $B_{\Gamma_p}$  of the pseudogroup by Theorem 1. By Corollary 2 if the germ of the curve  $C$  at  $p$  does not admit a germ of antiholomorphic involution of type  $\phi \times \psi$ , the orbits under  $\Gamma_p$  are dense in a neighbourhood of  $B_p$ . Define the *basin*  $B_p$  of  $p$  by the set of those  $q$  such that the topological closure of the equivalence class  $\mathcal{O}(q)$  contains  $p$ . It is easy to see that if the germ  $G_p$  is non-commutative, the basins  $B_{\Gamma_p} \subset B_p$  are open. The above density of orbits propagates to the basin  $B_p$ . If the germ is commutative, it is holomorphically conjugate with the cyclic subgroup of the linear  $S^1$  action.

In the paper [N1], the author classified the commutative and nonsolvable groups of germs of holomorphic diffeomorphisms of the complex plane at the origin. It would be a good exercise to classify all algebraic curves singular at the origin  $p = 0 \times 0$  where the group  $G_p$  is nonsolvable [N2]. A subset  $K \subset C$  is *invariant* if  $K$  is a union of equivalence classes. Clearly the basin is invariant.

**proclaimProblem** Study the complement of the basins of the singular points of algebraic curves.

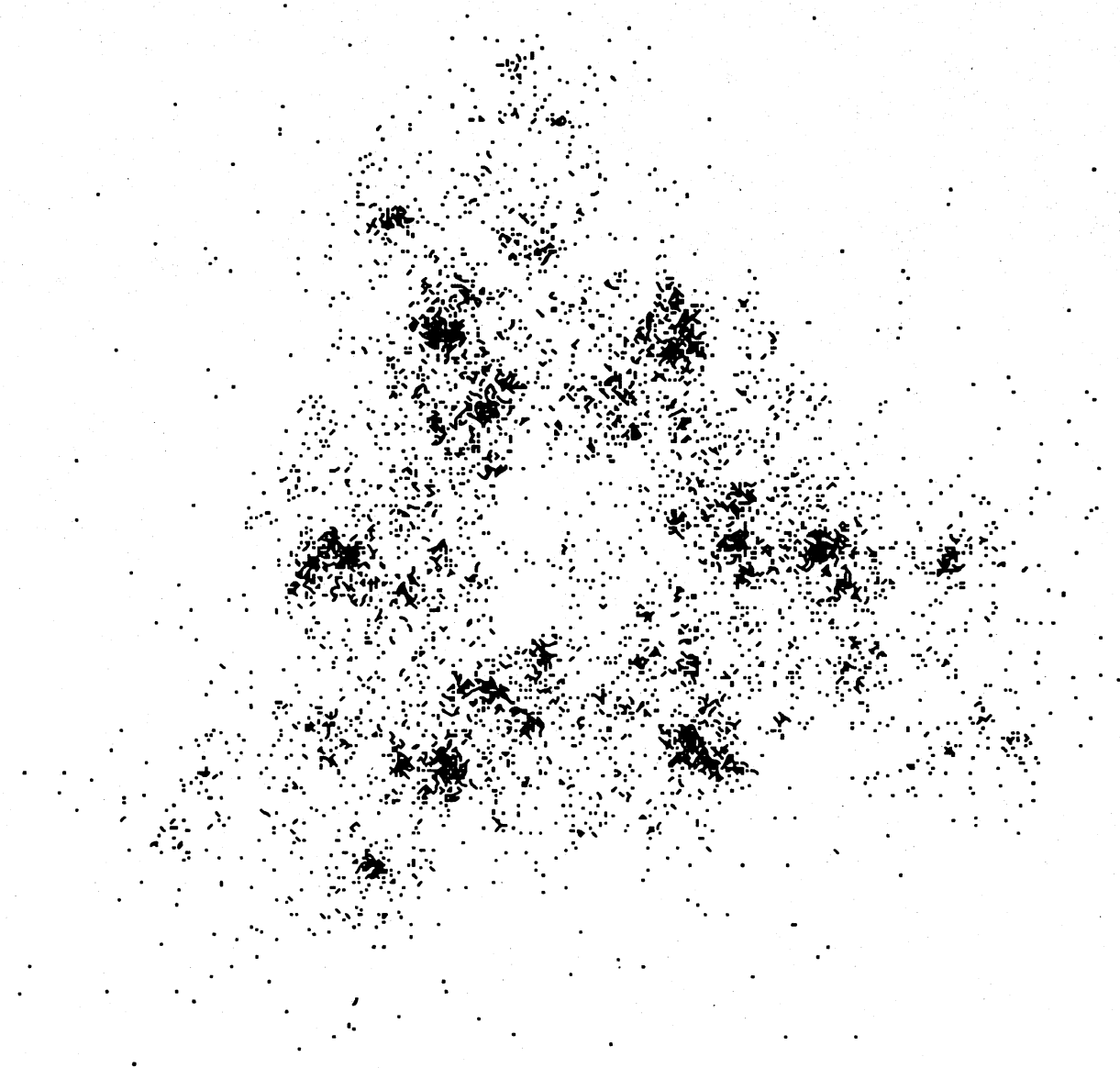
**Example 7.** Assume  $C$  is defined by  $(y - x^2 - c)(y - x) = 0$ , which is the union of the diagonal line  $y = x$  and the parabola  $y = x^2 + c$ . By the equivalence relation  $\sim$  the points  $(x, y)$  on the parabola are identified with those points  $(x, x)$  on the diagonal line. Therefore the first projection of the orbits are generated by the relations  $x \sim x^2 + c$  and  $x \sim -x$ , which are the union of the forward orbit and its backward orbits. It is classically known that the cluster point set of any backward orbit is Julia set of the dynamics  $x \rightarrow x^2 + c$ .

In the following we present some generic orbits of the dynamics on the various algebraic curves.

The projection of an orbit on the curve

$$x^3 + x^2 + 0.1xy + y^2 + x = 0$$

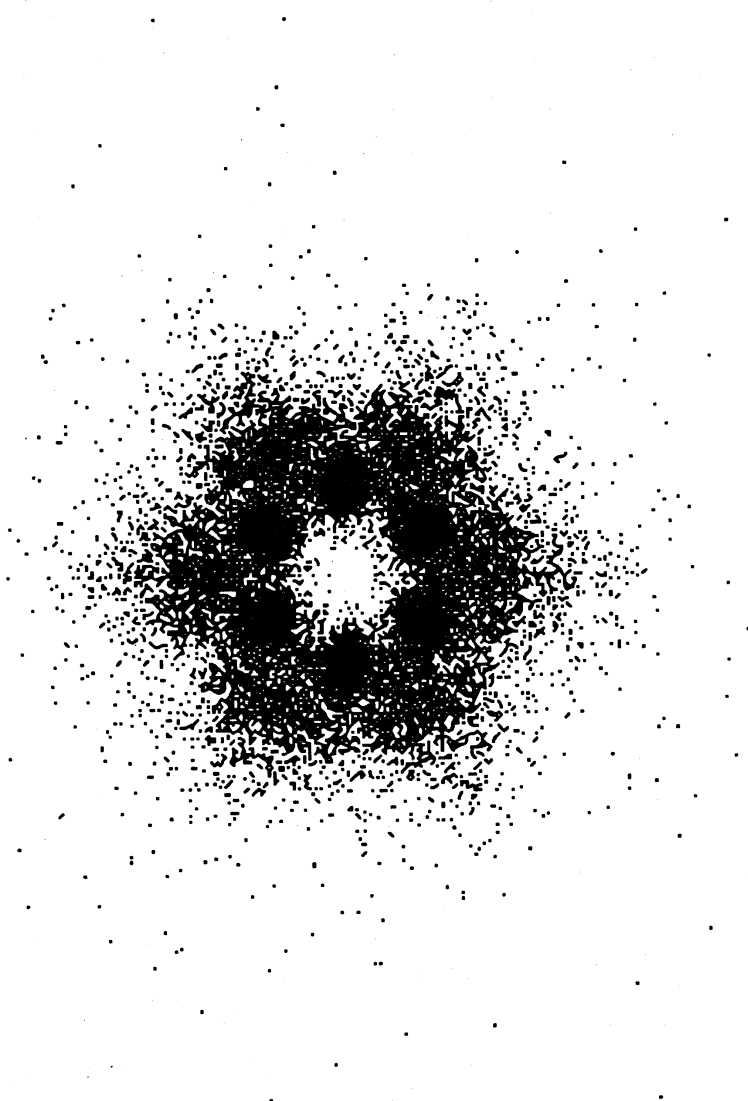
onto the  $\tilde{x}$ -plane,  $\tilde{x} = 1/x$ .



The projection of an orbit on the curve

$$(1 + 2i)x^3 + (3 + 2i)x^2y + (1 + 2i)xy^2 + (3 + 2i)y^3 + 1 = 0$$

onto the  $\tilde{x}$ -plane,  $\tilde{x} = 1/x$ .



The projection of an orbit on the curve

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The projection of an orbit on the curve (Julia set)

$$(y - x^2 + 0.7 - 0.3i)(y - x) = 0$$

onto the  $\tilde{x}$ -plane,  $\tilde{x} = 1/x$ .

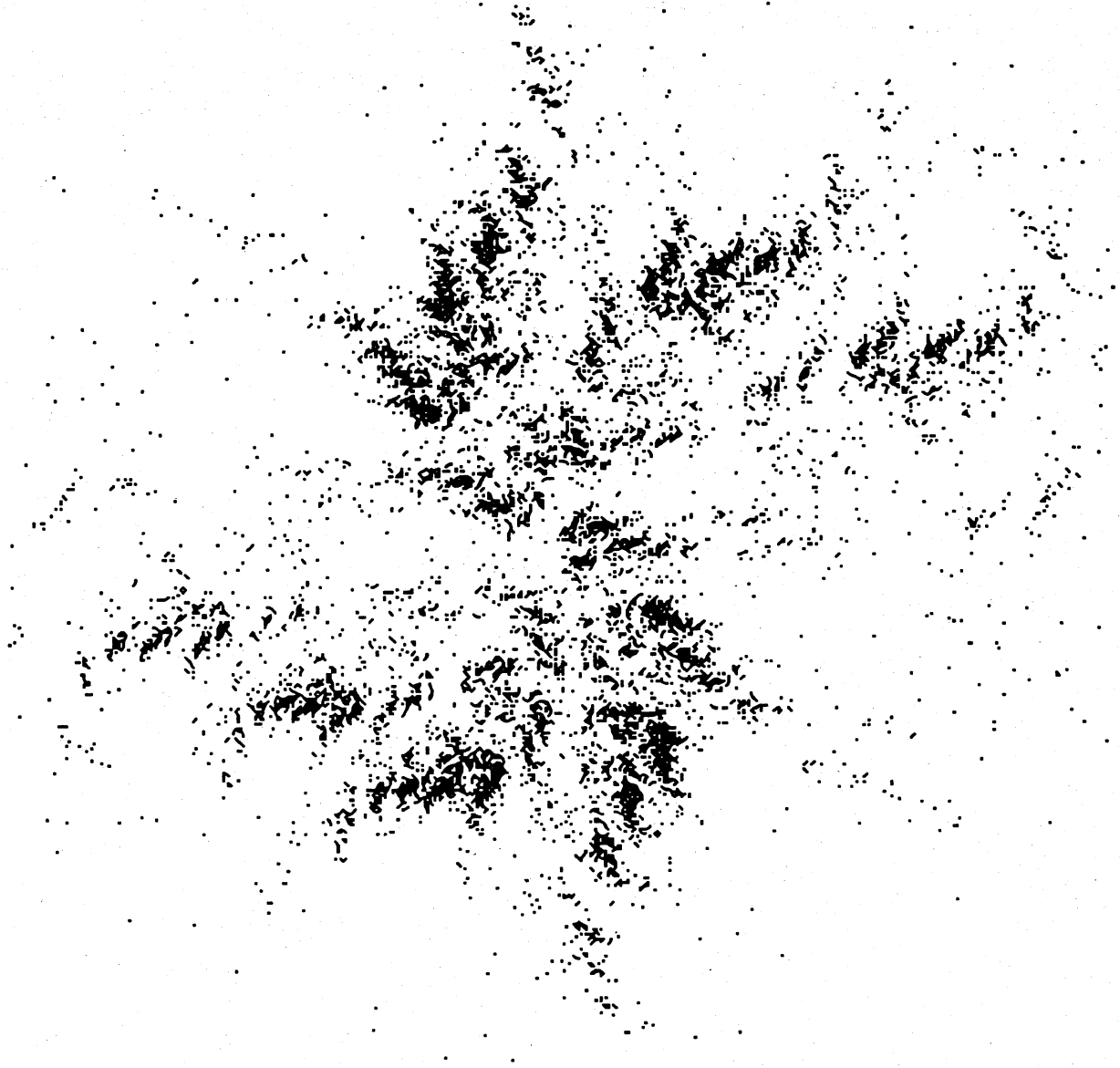


The projection of an orbit on the curve

$$(y - x^2 + 0.7 - 0.3i)(y - x) + 0.01 = 0$$

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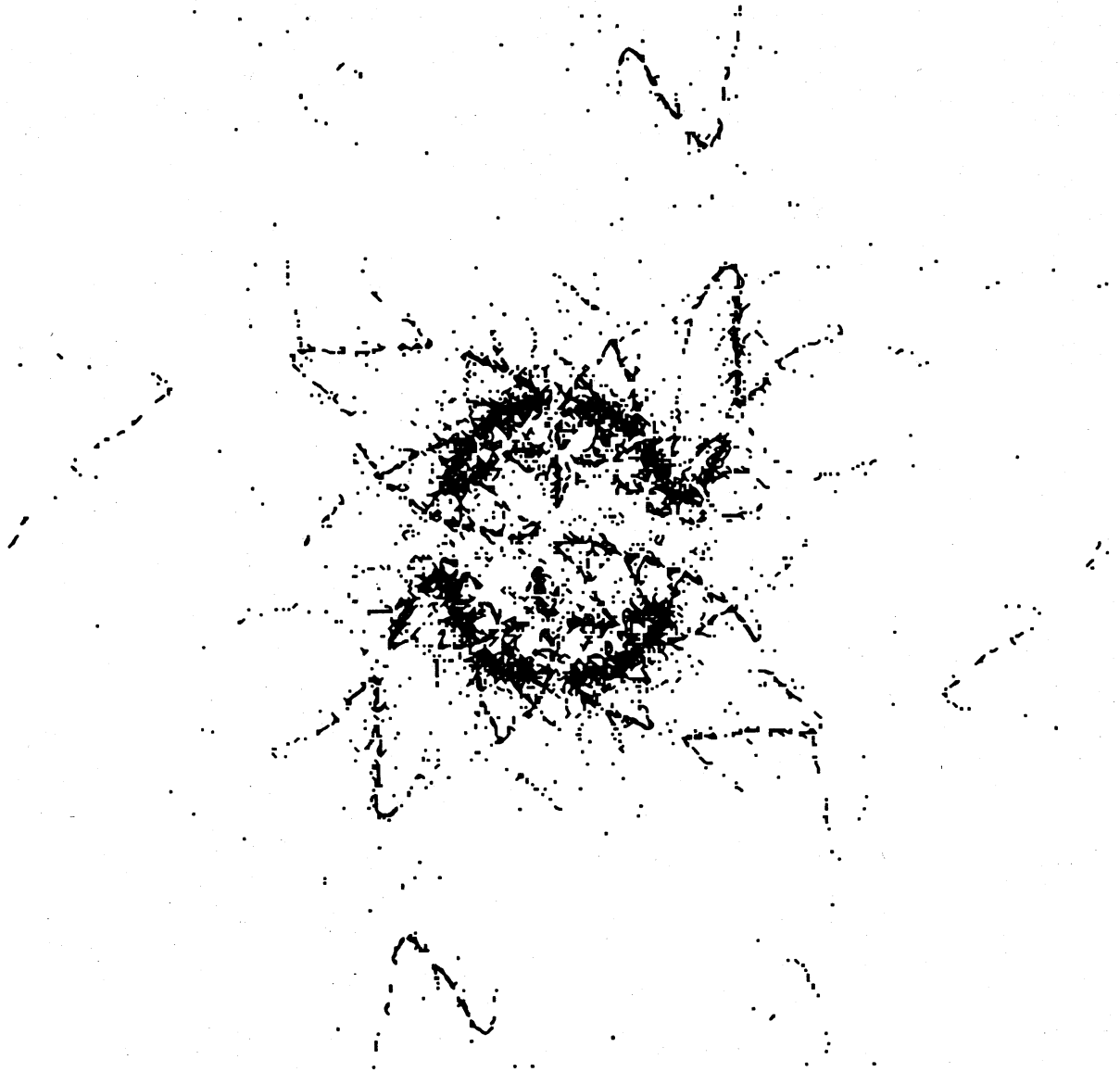




The projection of an orbit on the curve

$$(y - x^2 - 0.3)(y - x) + 0.3iy^2 = 0$$

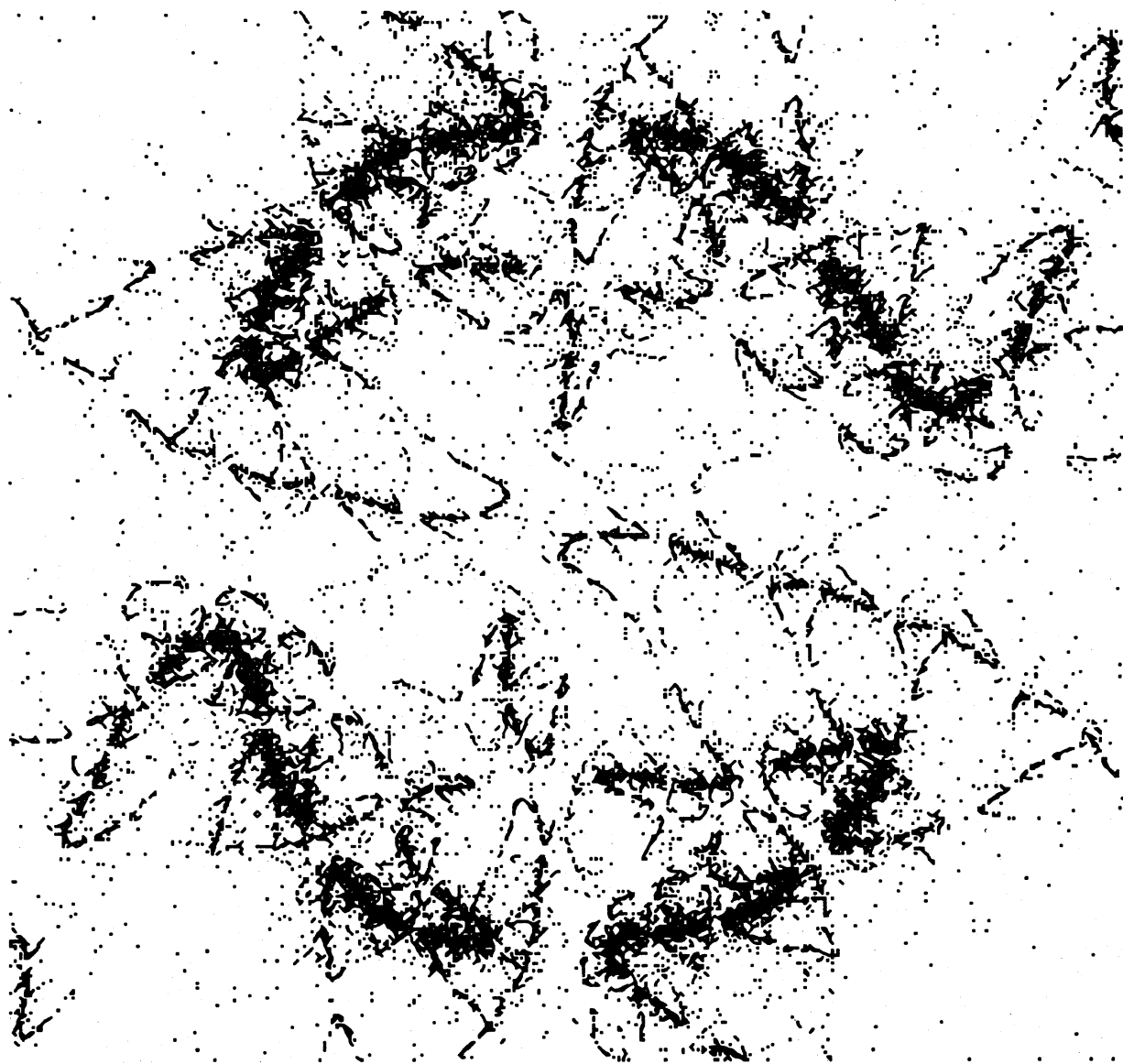
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The projection of an orbit on the curve

$$(y - x^2 - 0.3)(y - x) - 0.03 + 0.03i = 0$$

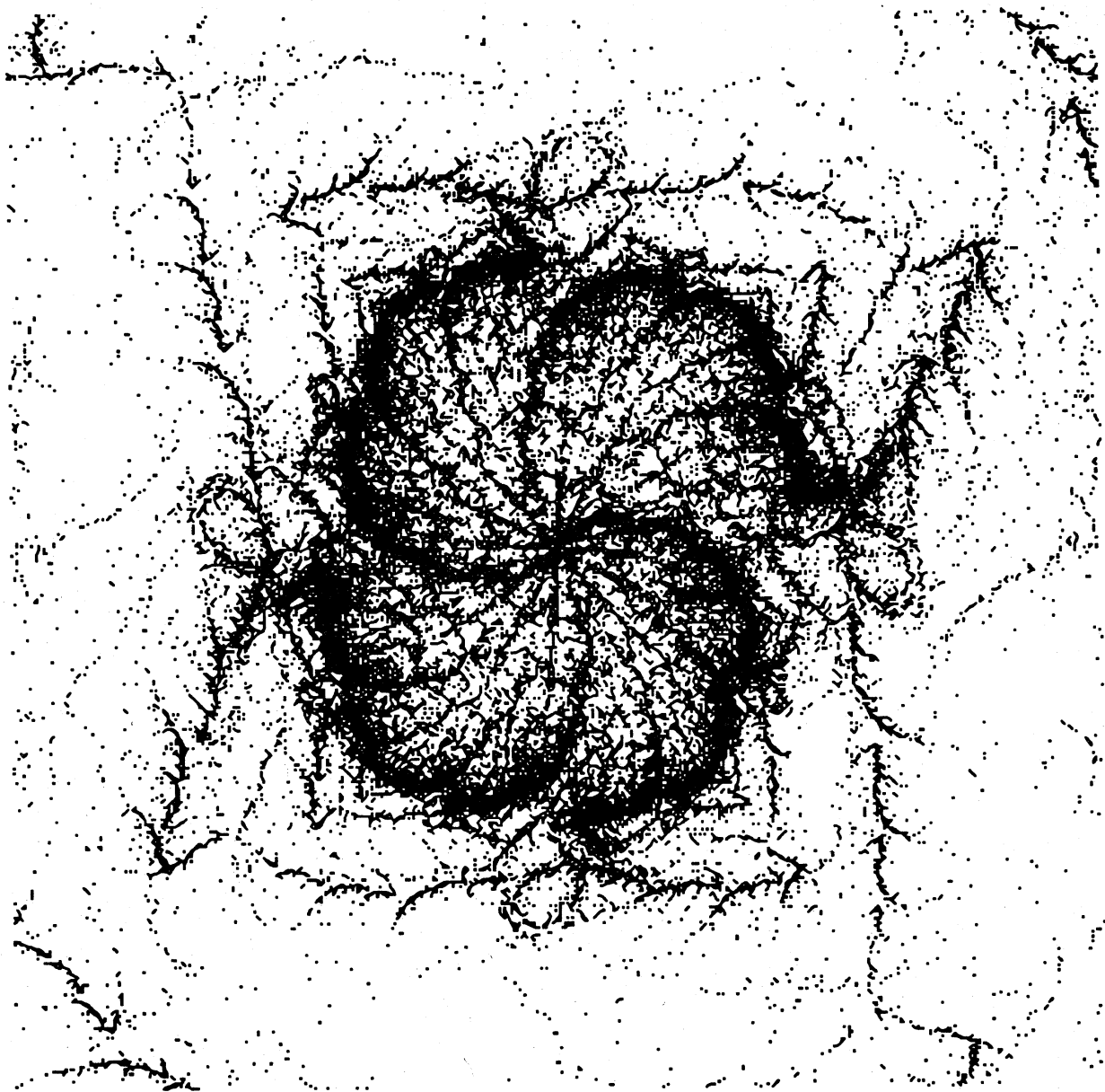
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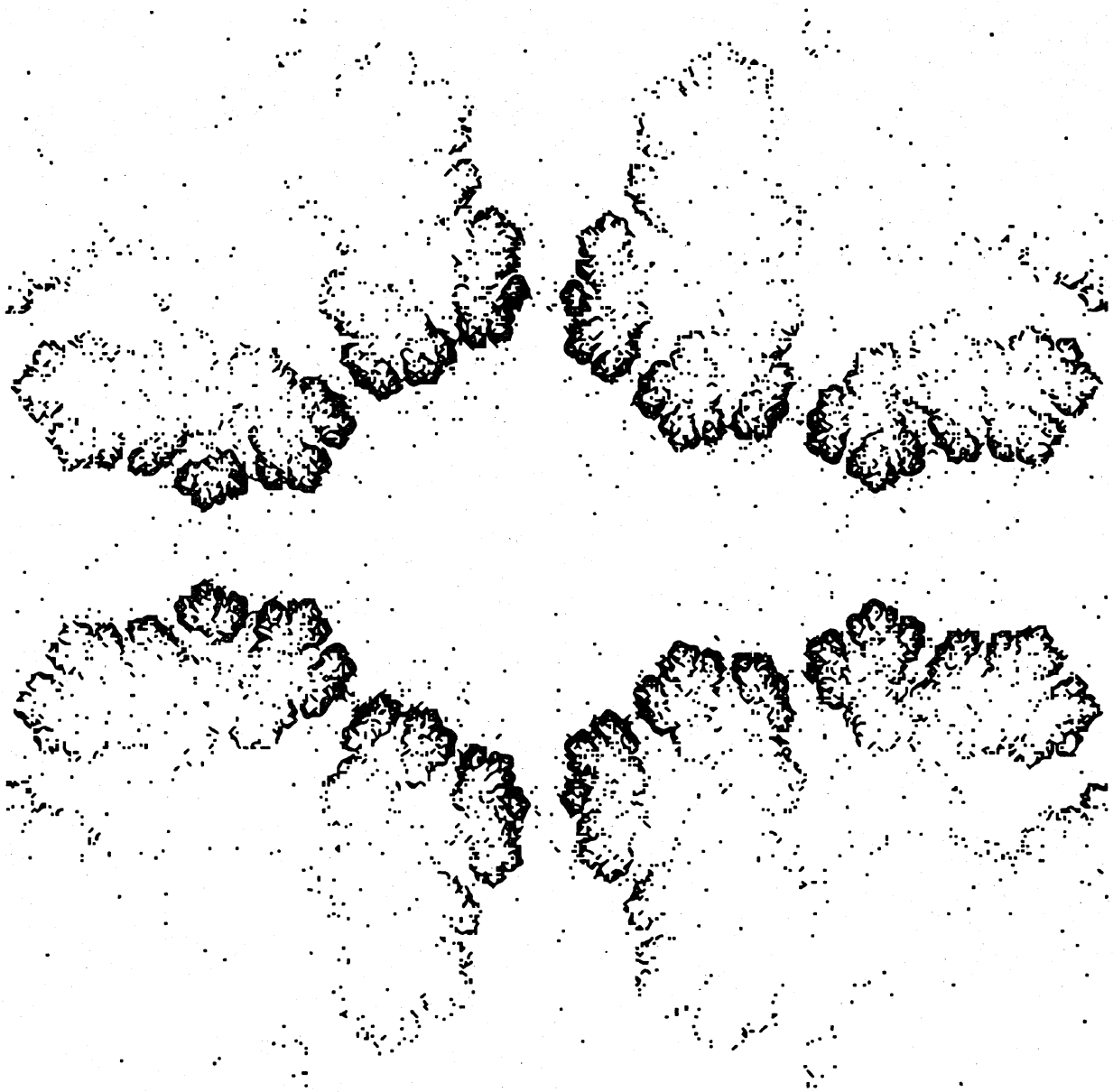
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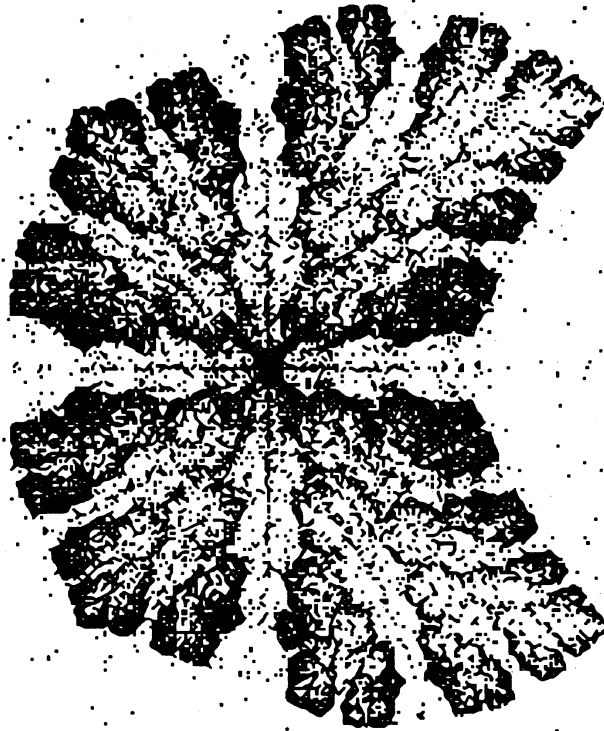
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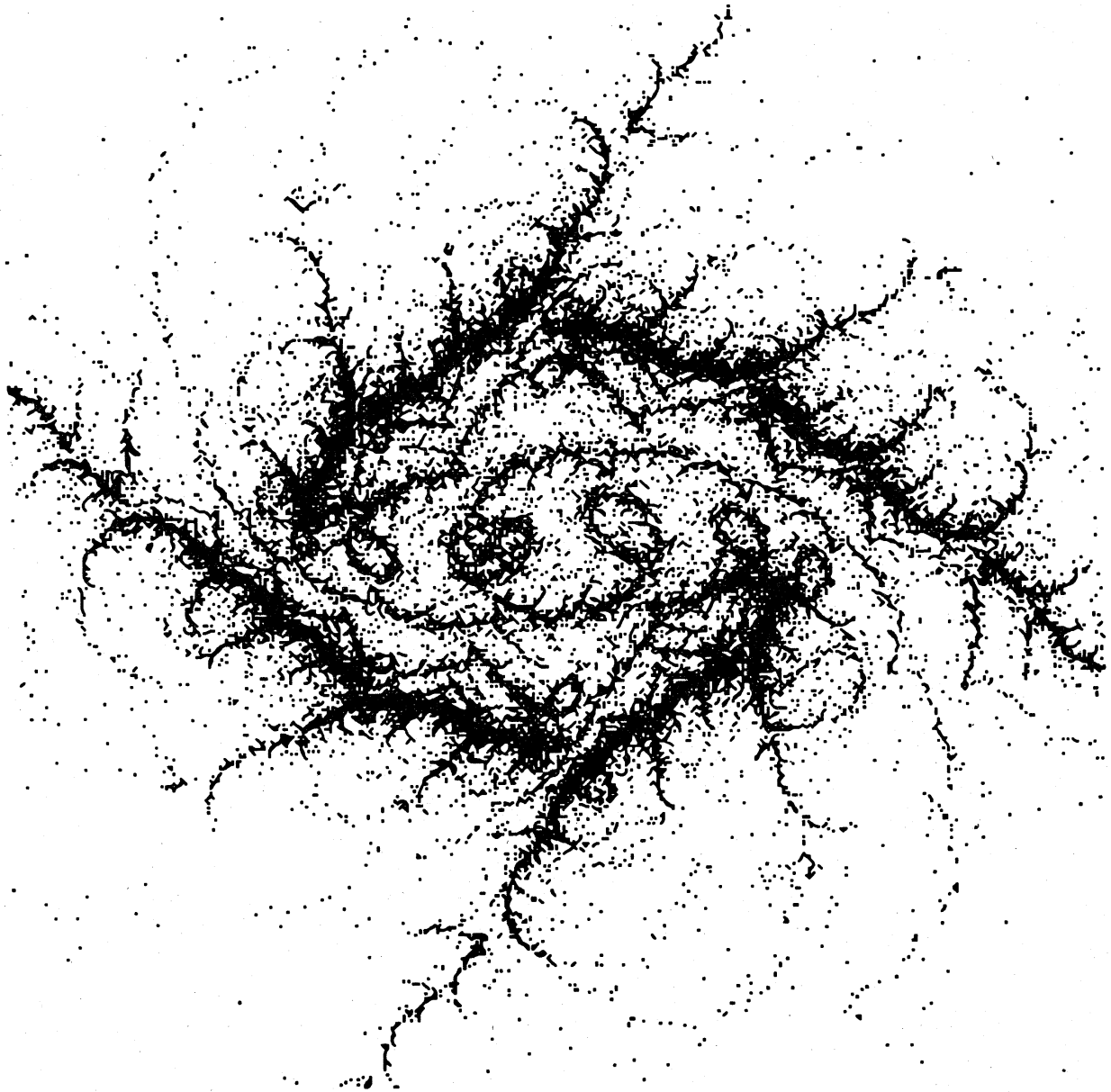
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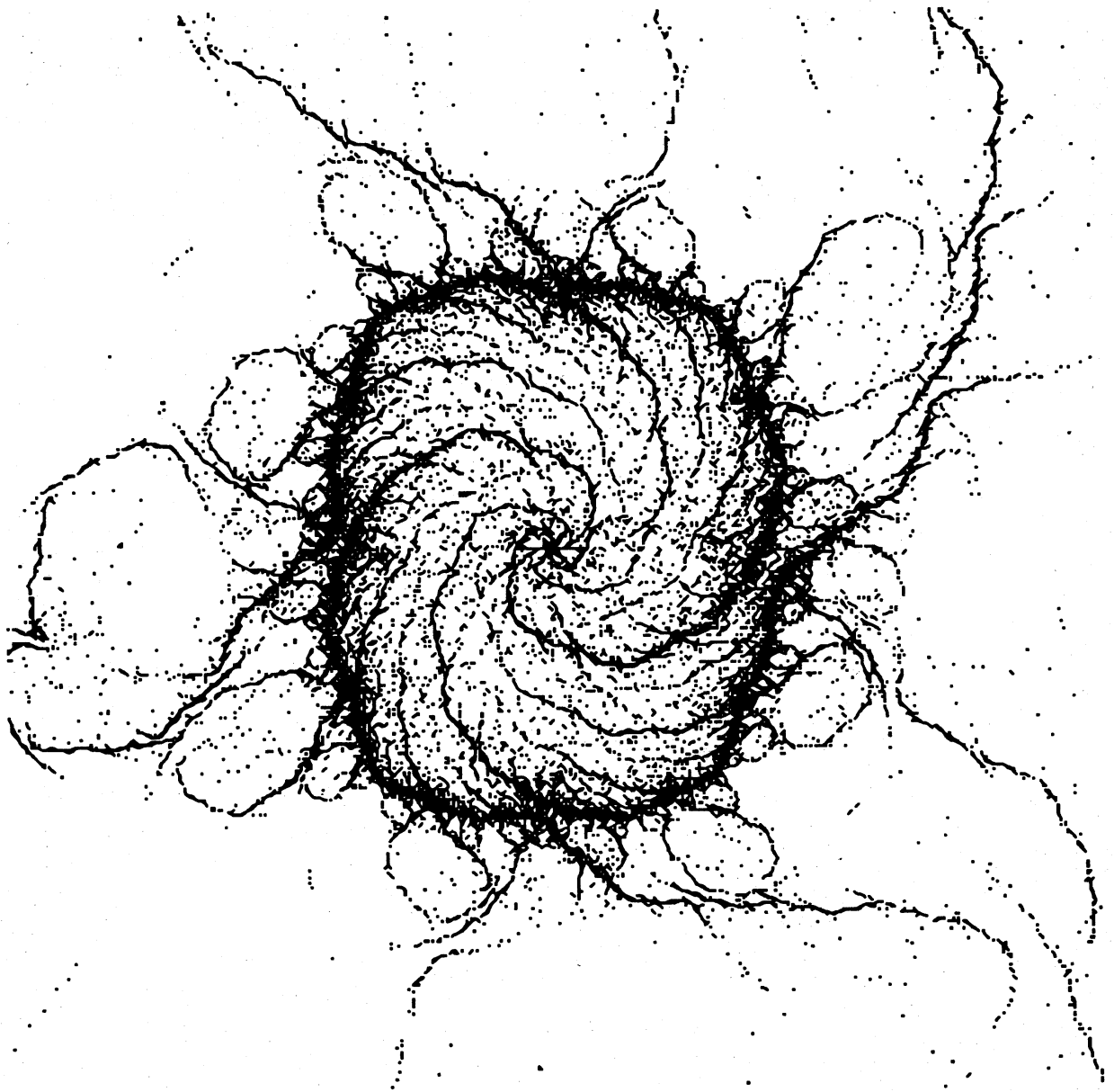
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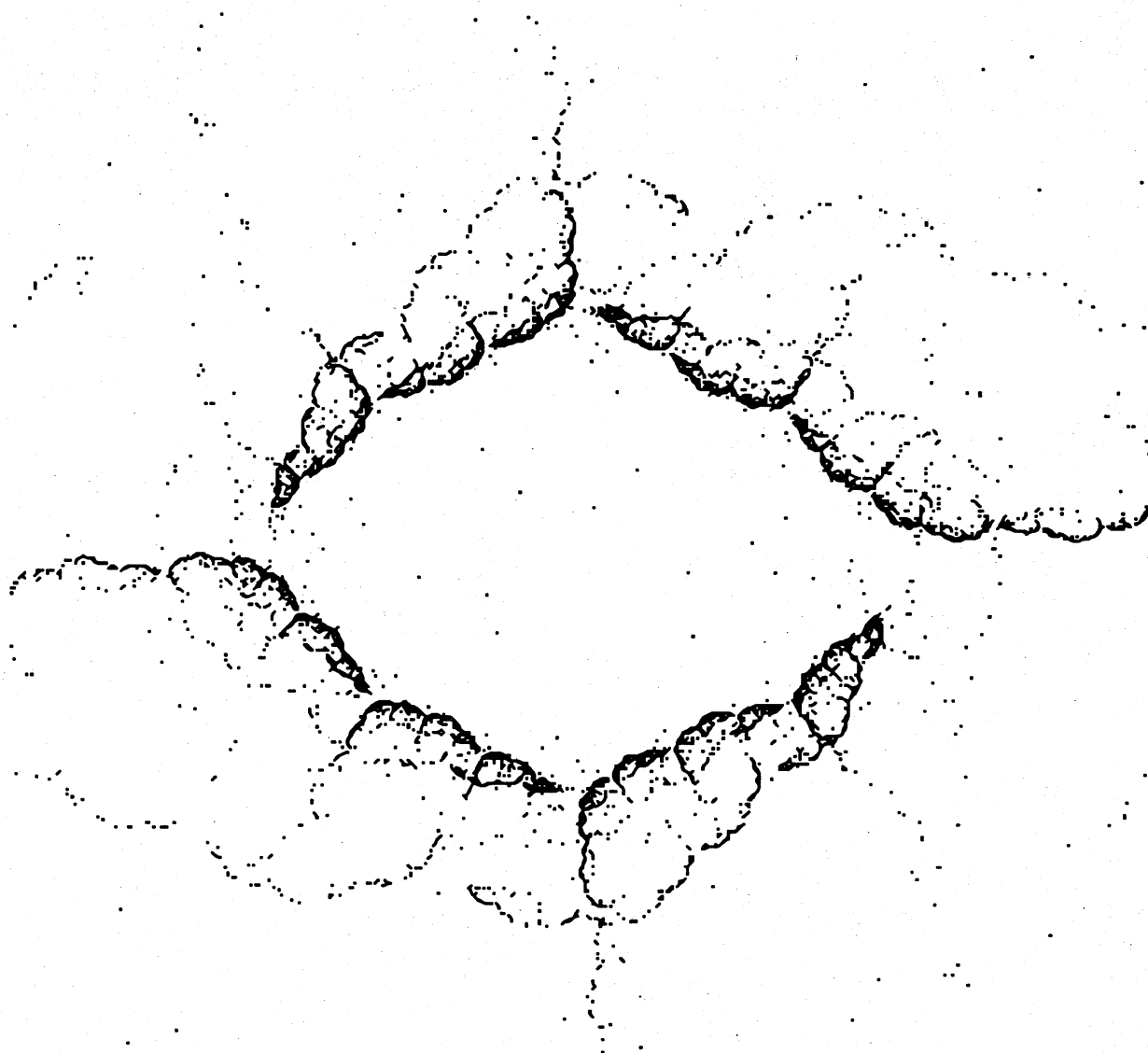


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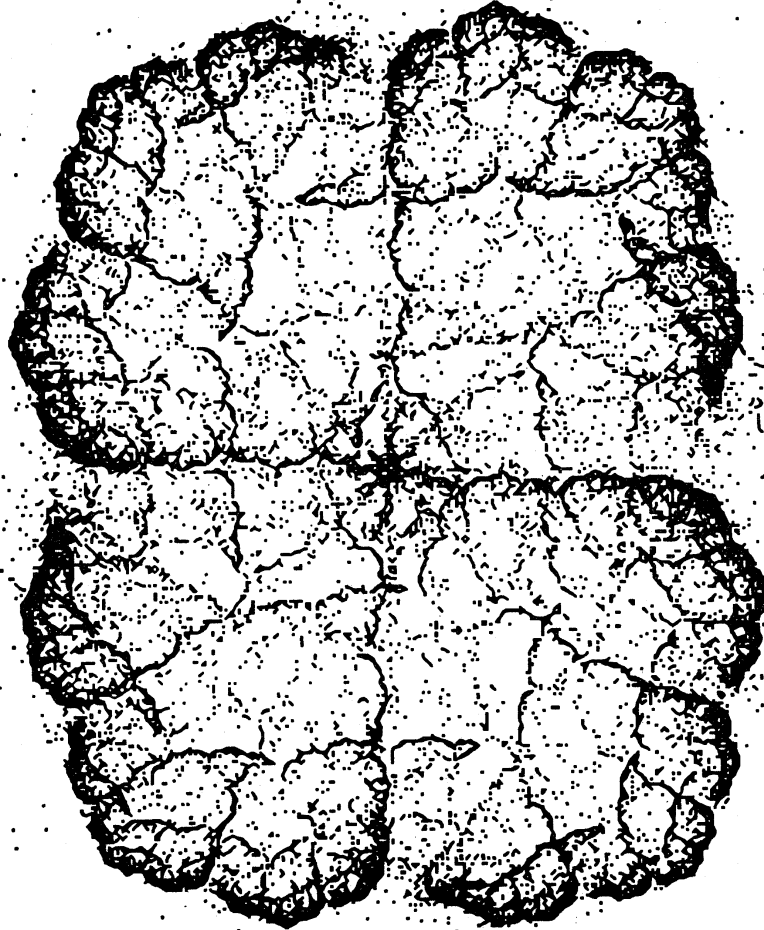




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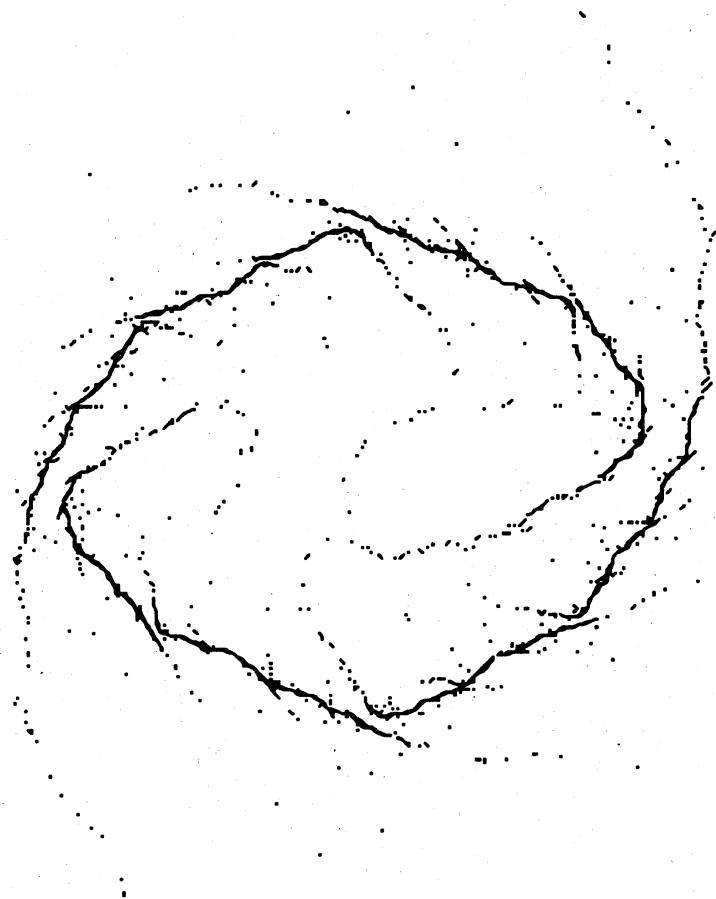
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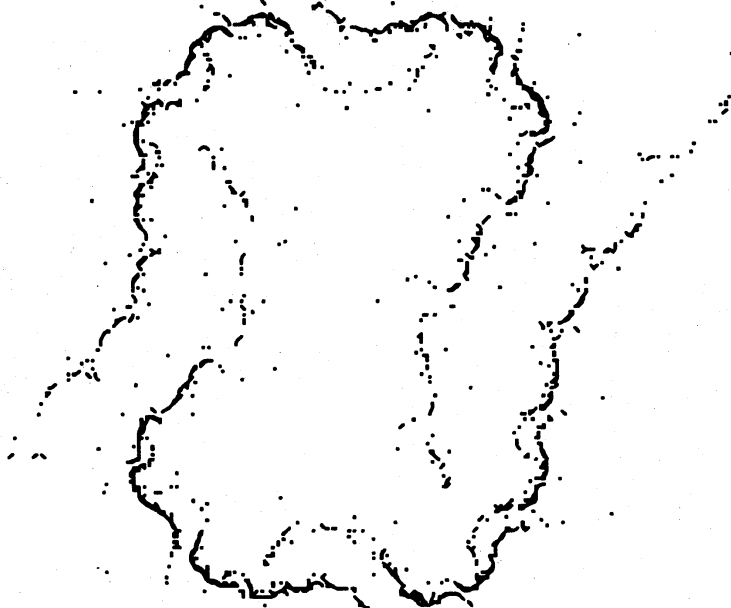
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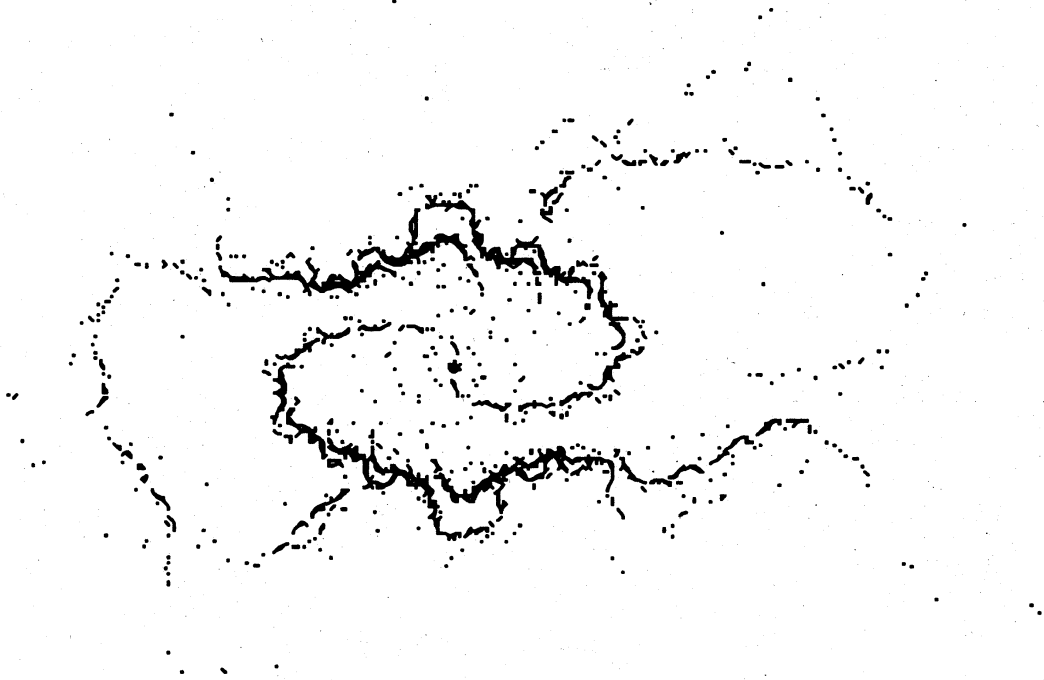
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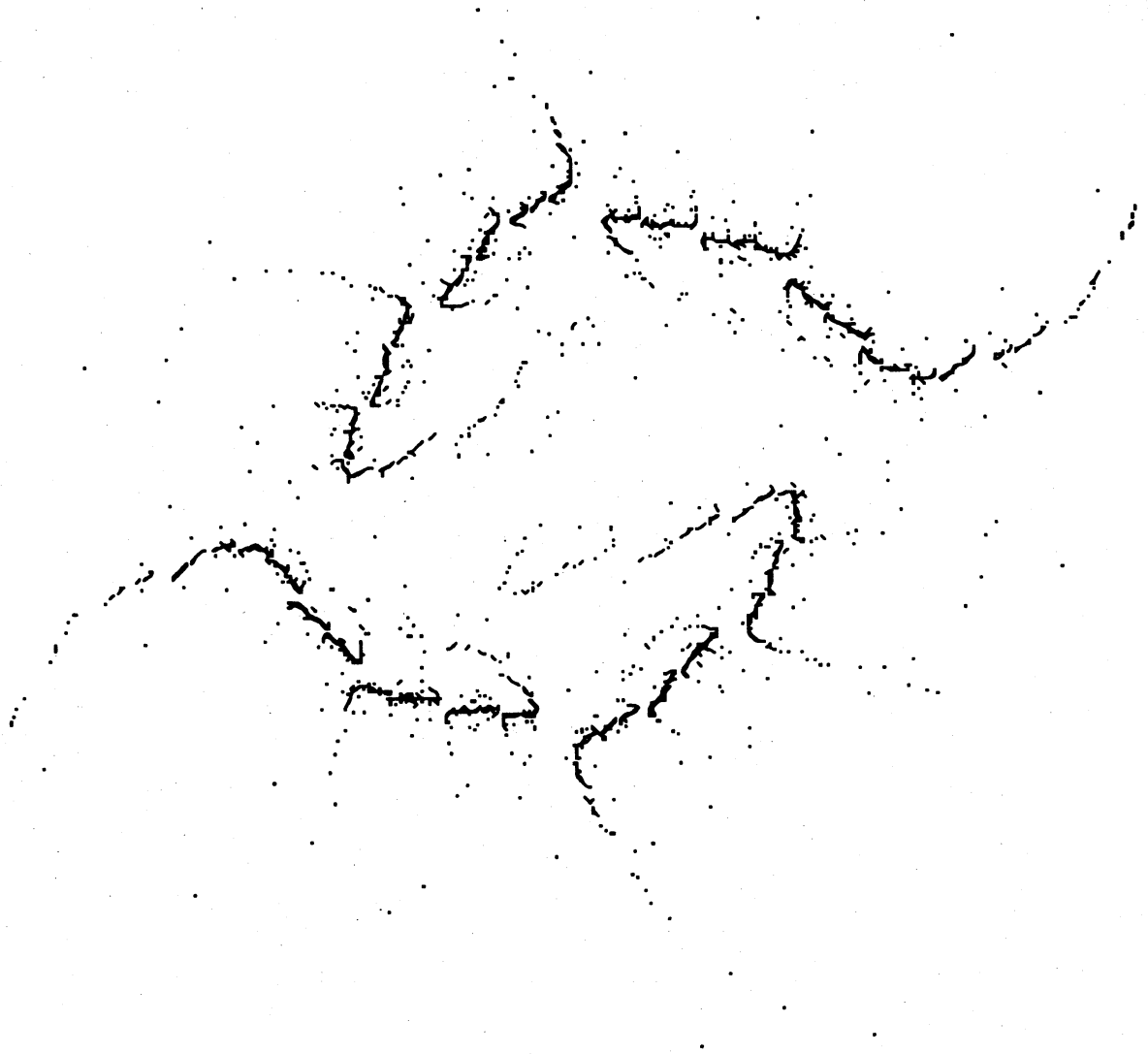
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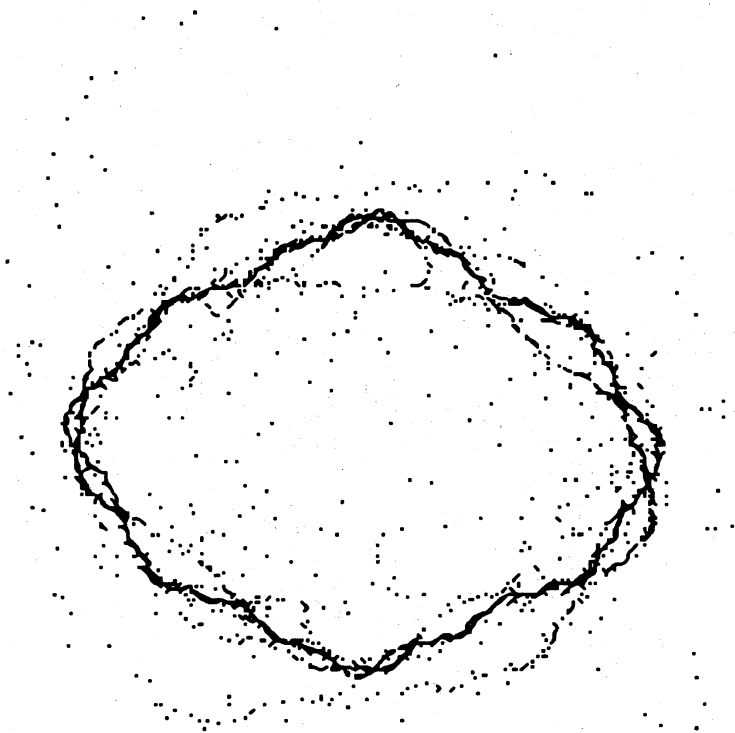
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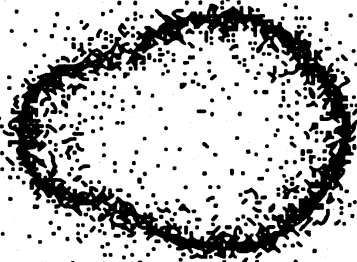
onto the  $x$ -plane.



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onto the  $x$ -plane.



The projection of an orbit on the curve

$$(y - x^2)(y - x) + 0.7x^2 = 0$$

onto the  $x$ -plane.

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