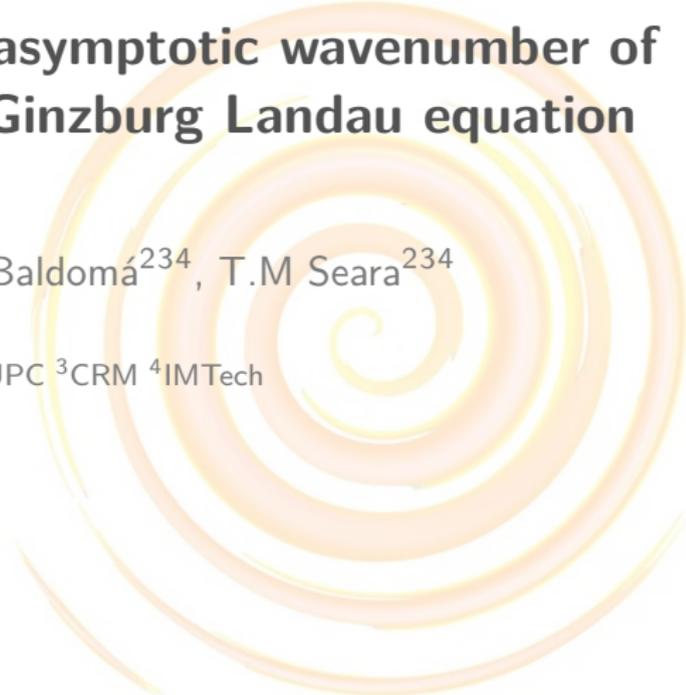


Computation of the asymptotic wavenumber of spiral waves of the Ginzburg Landau equation

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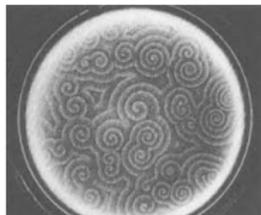
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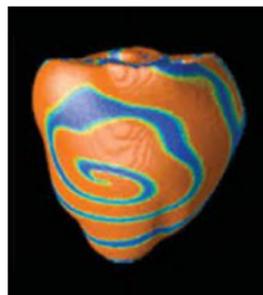
Spiral patterns are commonly observed in certain chemical, biological and physical systems



Belousov-Zhabotinskii



Social amoebas
Dictyostelium discoideum



Cardiac muscle tissue

- These systems are governed by chemical or biological reaction and spatial diffusion.

$$\partial_\tau U = D\Delta U + F(U, a), \quad D \text{ a diffusion matrix, } F \text{ the reaction nonlinearity}$$

$U = U(\tau, \vec{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and a is a parameter (for instance some catalyst concentration).

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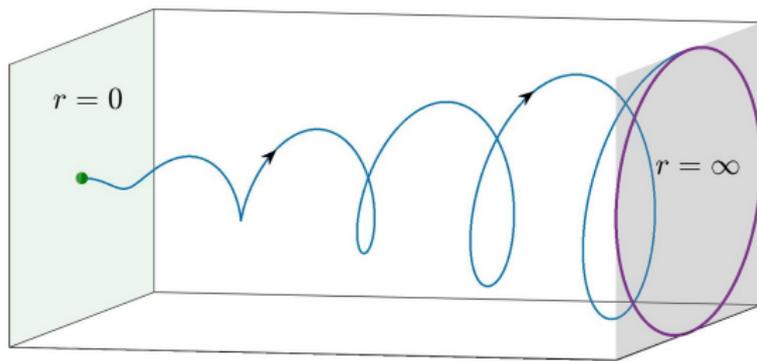


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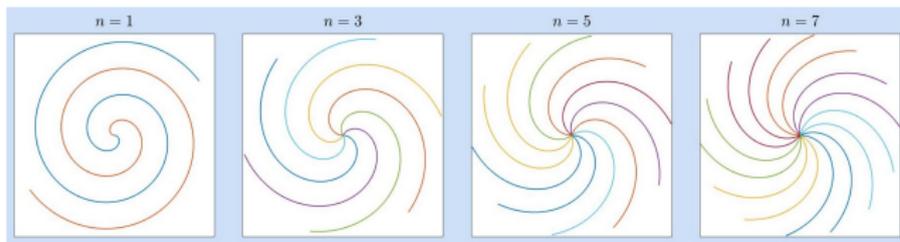
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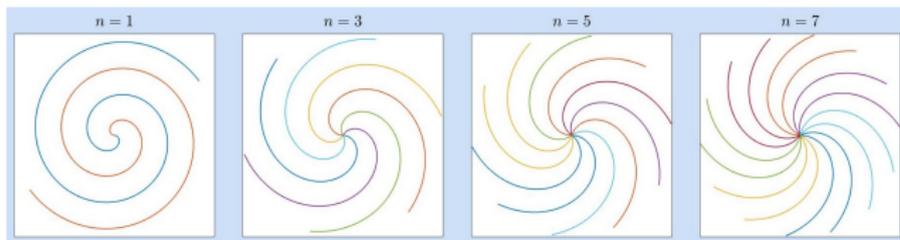
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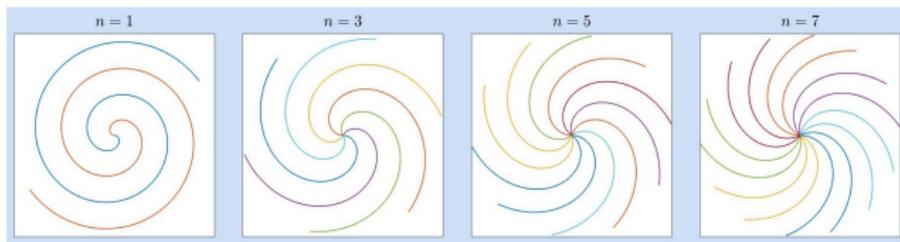
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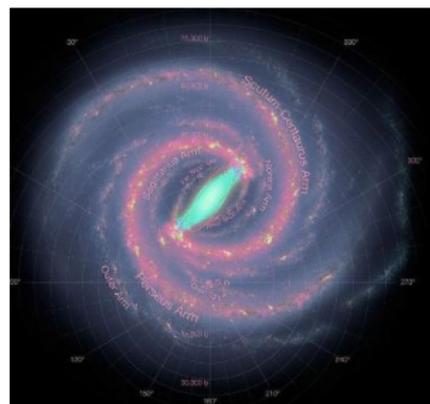
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The result



- We introduce the *twist parameter*

$$q = \frac{\beta - \alpha}{1 + \alpha\beta}$$

Theorem

If $|q|$ is small enough, the Ginzburg-Landau equation possesses a spiral wave n -armed with one defect ($f(0; q) = 0$, $f(r; q) > 0$ for $r > 0$) and $f'(r; q) > 0$, if and only if

$$k_* = k_*(q) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1 - \alpha q(1 - k^2(q))}} k(q), \quad k(q) = \frac{2}{q} e^{-\frac{C_n}{n^2} - \gamma} e^{-\frac{\pi}{2n|q|}} (1 + \mathcal{O}(|q|)), \quad (1)$$

with γ the Euler's constant and

$$C_n = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \left(\int_0^r \xi f^2(\xi; 0) (1 - f^2(\xi; 0)) d\xi - n^2 \log r \right).$$

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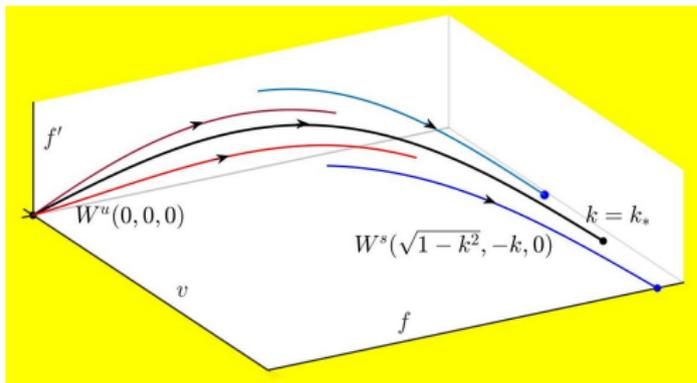
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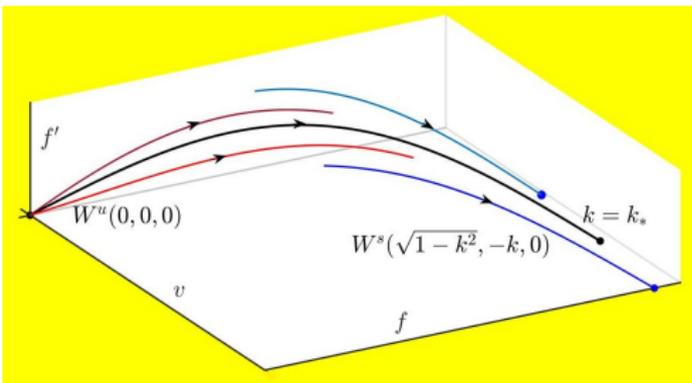
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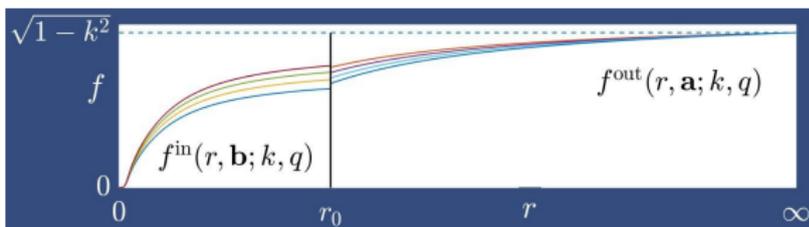


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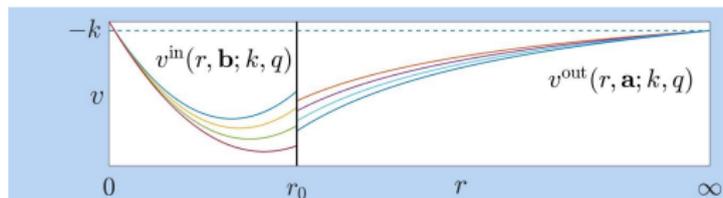
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We match now f^{out} , f^{in} and their derivatives.

- ▶ We prove that

$$f^{\text{out}}(r, \mathbf{a}; \mu, q) = K_0(r\sqrt{2})\mathbf{a} + \sqrt{1 - \frac{n^2}{r^2} - (v^{\text{out}}(r, \mathbf{a}; \mu, q))^2} + \dots$$

$$f^{\text{in}}(r, \mathbf{b}; \mu, q) = I_n(r\sqrt{2})\mathbf{b} + 1 - \frac{n^2}{2r^2} + \dots$$

- ▶ Then, matching the solutions at $r = r_0$ we have that

$$K_0(r_0\sqrt{2})\mathbf{a} - I_n(r_0\sqrt{2})\mathbf{b} = \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mu; q)$$

$$K'_0(r_0\sqrt{2})\mathbf{a} - I'_n(r_0\sqrt{2})\mathbf{b} = \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mu; q)$$

- ▶ As a consequence we can write

$$(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mu) = \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mu; q).$$

- ▶ A thorough control of the error terms, allow us to prove the existence of a fixed point solution by the Brouwer's theorem with

$$\mu = 2\exp\left(-\gamma + \frac{C_n}{n^2}\right) (1 + \mathcal{O}(q))$$



Thanks for your attention

