

Hillen's lecture, Oct. 31, 2024

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u(x, t) + \underline{\underline{\operatorname{div} J(x, t)}} - f(u(x, t)) = 0 \quad \leftarrow$$

Anna Marciniak-Czochra, leukemia

Mark Chaplain, angiogenesis

Luigi Preziosi, tissue mechanics

Thomas Yankeelov, glioma

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$$\operatorname{div} J(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} J_i(x, t) \quad \text{divergence}$$

What is $J(x, t)$?

Fickian law: for diffusion $\underline{J(x, t)} = -D \underline{\nabla u(x, t)}$

$\nabla u = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} u, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} u, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} u \right)$ gradient



Fourier's law: $J(x, t) = -D \nabla u(x, t)$

Unbiased random walk $J(x, t) = -D \nabla u(x, t)$

(Cattaneo law: $\epsilon J_t + D \nabla u = -J$)

Then $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = D \operatorname{div} \nabla u + f(u)$

$\operatorname{div} \nabla u = \Delta u$ Laplacian

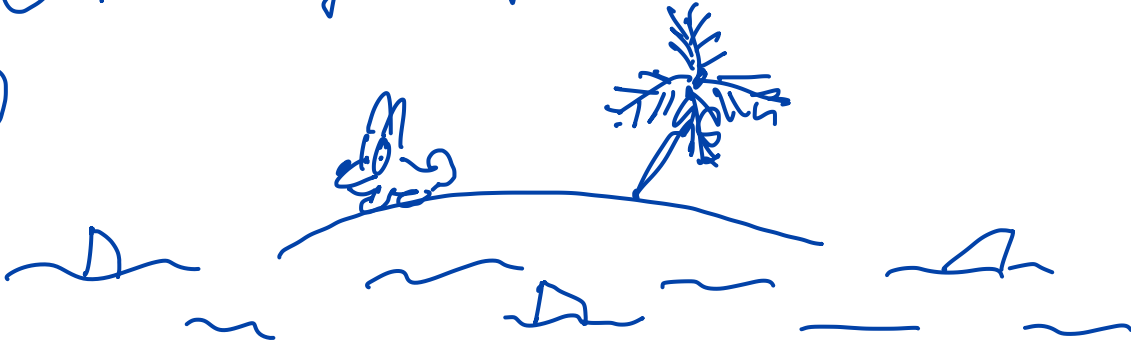
$$= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} u + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2^2} u + \dots + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_n^2} u$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = D \Delta u + f(u) \quad \text{Reaction diffusion eq.}$$

① Critical domain size problem.

② Travelling wave problem.

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How large does the habitat have to be to support a population?

- ecology
- farming
- pest control
- cancer

We use the famous Fisher-KPP equation

$$u_t = D u_{xx} + \mu u(1-u)$$

on a finite domain $[0, 1]$

Need boundary cond.

a) Homogeneous Dirichlet b.c. $u(0, t) = 0$
 $u(1, t) = 0$

b) Homogeneous Neumann b.c. (no flux b.c.)

$$u_x(0, t) = 0 \quad u_x(1, t) = 0$$

b) Robin conditions, mixed. $\alpha u + \beta u_x = 0$ on $x=0$

Hillen's rule of thumb:

side conditions = # highest order derivatives

RD-eg $u_t = D u_{xx} + \mu u(1-u)$

time: 1 initial cond. $u(x, 0) = f(x)$

space: 2 boundary cond. as above

wave eq: $u_{tt} = c^2 (u_{xx} + u_{yy})$ on a box \rightarrow 

time: initial displacement + initial velocity

Critical domain size problem

$u(0, t) = 0$  $u(l, t) = 0$ Dirichlet.

- (i) How large l to support a population?
- (ii) How large l such that $u \equiv 0$ is unstable?
- (iii) How large l such that a nontrivial steady state exists?

Let's do (iii): $u_t = 0$ $u_{xx} = -\frac{\mu}{D} u(1-u)$

introduce $v = u'$ $\left. \begin{array}{l} u' = v \\ v' = -\frac{\mu}{D} u(1-u) \end{array} \right\} (*)$

Let's analyze (*):

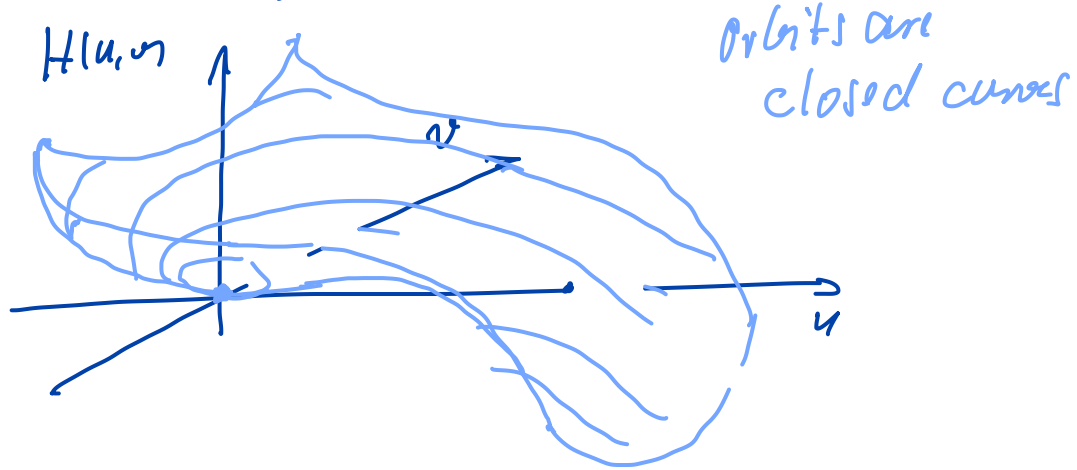
$P_1(0, 0)$: linear center with eigenvalues

$\lambda_{1/2} = \pm i \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{D}}$.

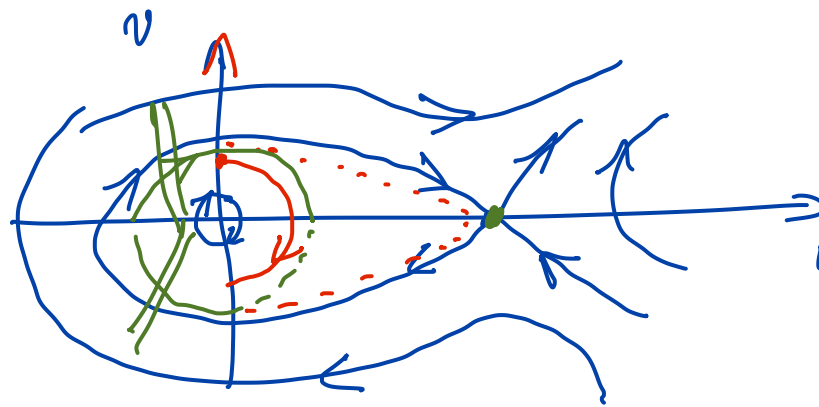
$P_2(1, 0)$: saddle point

Hamiltonian fct: $H(u, v) = \frac{1}{2} v^2 + \frac{\mu}{D} \frac{u^2}{2} - \frac{\mu}{D} \frac{u^3}{3}$

then $\frac{\partial H}{\partial v} = v$, $\frac{\partial H}{\partial u} = -v'$

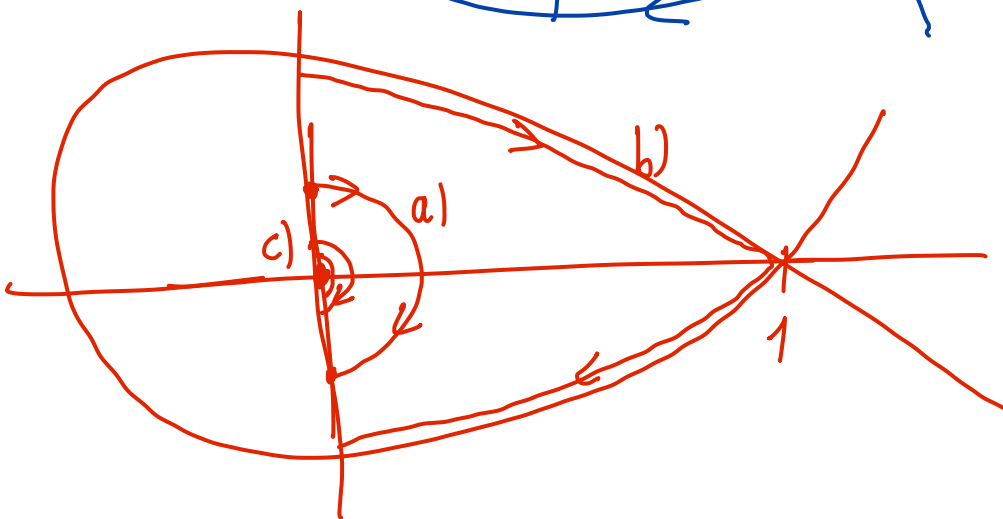


Phase plane:



Dirichlet: (red)
 $u(0, t) = 0, u(l, t) = 0$

Neumann (green)
 $v(0, t) = 0, v(l, t) = 0$
 only $v \equiv 1$
 $v \equiv 0$



Solution needs length l

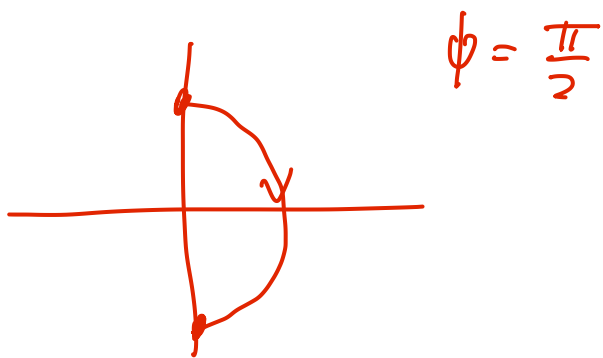
from length of $b) \rightarrow \infty$

length of $c)$ given
 by linearization
 at $(0, 0)$.

Linearization at $(0, 0)$ has

eigenvalues $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm i \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{D}}$ we can write the

solution as $\begin{pmatrix} u(x) \\ v(x) \end{pmatrix} = c_1 \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{D}} x + \phi) \\ \sin(\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{D}} x + \phi) \end{pmatrix}$



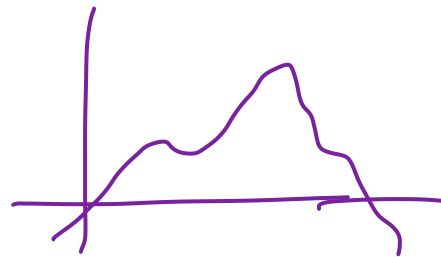
For length l : $\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{D}} l = \pi$

$$l^* = \pi \sqrt{\frac{D}{\mu}}$$

Minimum domain length!

② Travelling wave problem.

$$u_t = Du_{xx} + f(u)$$



assumptions: (i) $f(0) = f(1) = 0$

(ii) $f'(0) > 0$ $f'(1) < 0$

(iii) $f(u) > 0$ $0 < u < 1$

Travelling wave coordinate $z = x - ct$

assume $\phi(z) = \phi(x - ct) = u(x, t)$ ←

ϕ : wave profile

boundary cond: $\phi(+\infty) = 0$, $\phi(-\infty) = 1$

$$-c\phi' = D\phi'' + f(\phi)$$

Introduce $\psi = \phi'$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \phi' &= \psi \\ \psi' &= -\frac{c}{D} \psi - \frac{f(\psi)}{D} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

rescale $\tilde{c} = \frac{c}{D}$ $\tilde{f} = \frac{f}{D}$ remove \sim .

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \phi' &= \psi \\ \psi' &= -c\psi - f(\psi) \end{aligned} \right\} (2)$$

Equilibria: $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$

Jacobian $J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -f'(\phi) & -c \end{pmatrix}$

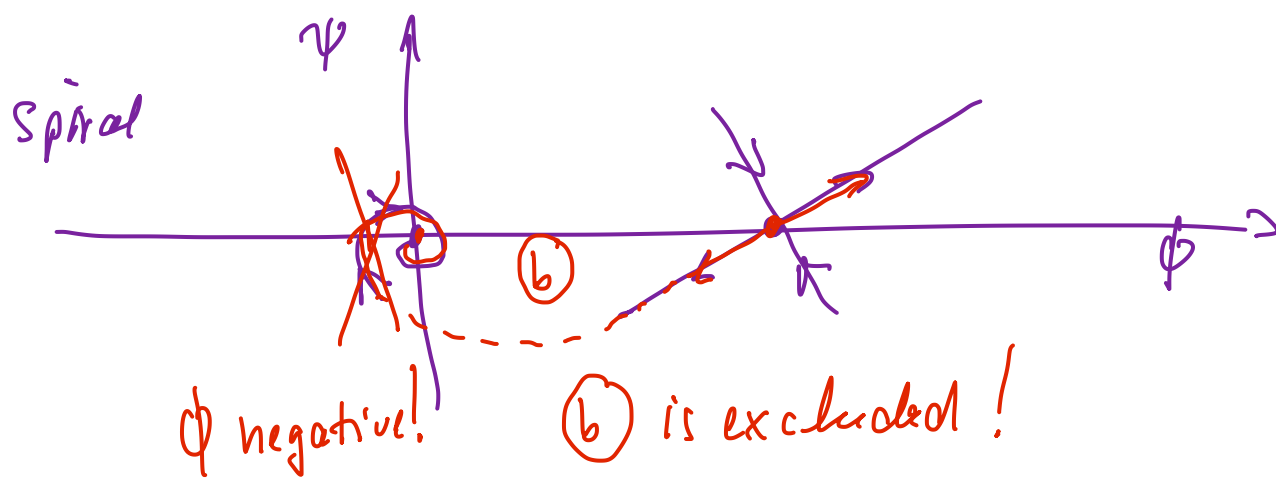
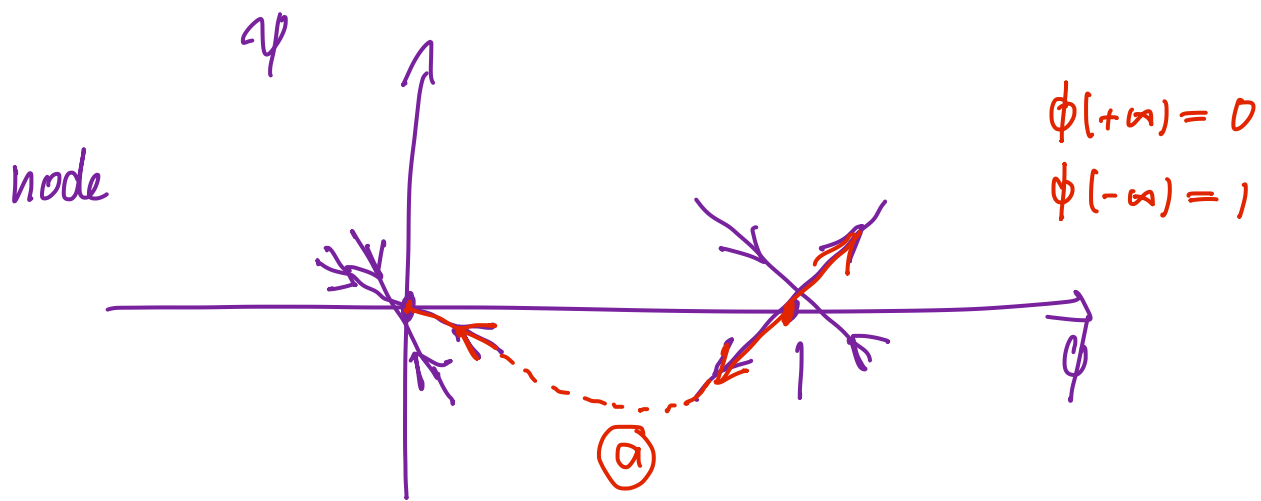
$$J(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -f'(0) & -c \end{pmatrix} \quad \left. \begin{aligned} \text{tr } J(0,0) &= -c \\ \det J(0,0) &= f'(0) > 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{stable} \\ \text{node or} \\ \text{spiral} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Eigenvalues: } \lambda_{1,2} &= \frac{\text{tr } J}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(\text{tr } J)^2 - 4 \det J} \\ &= -\frac{c}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{c^2 - 4f'(0)} \end{aligned}$$

(b) spiral for $c^2 < 4f'(0)$ call $c^* = 2\sqrt{f'(0)}$

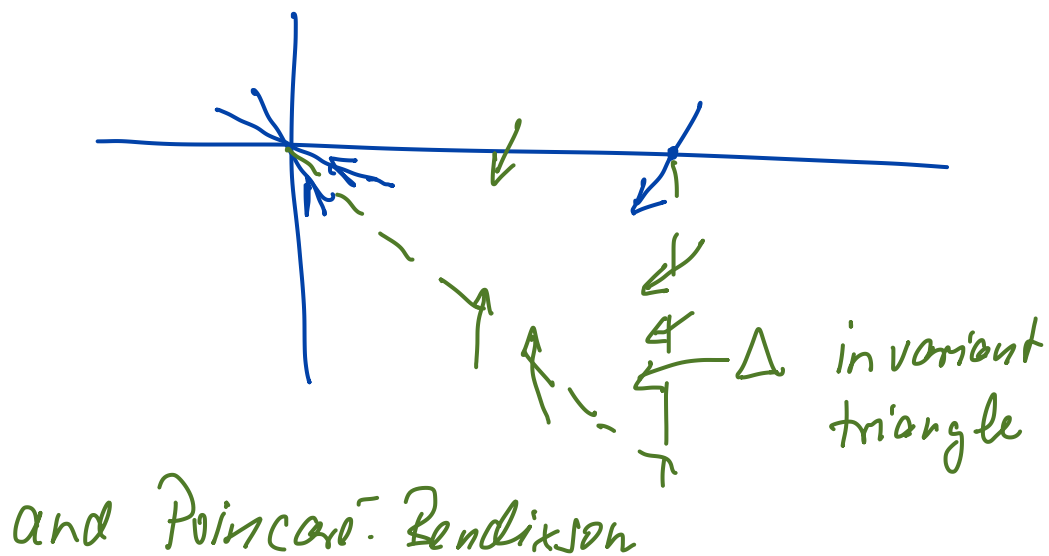
(a) node for $c^2 > 4f'(0)$

$$J(1,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -f'(1) & -c \end{pmatrix}: \text{ saddle.}$$



Then $c < c^*$ is not possible!

To do: (a) exists! (P pages in my notes
 original proof by Küllen)



The minimal invasion speed is

$$c^* = 2 \sqrt{f'(0)}$$

or if D is included,

$$c^* = 2 \sqrt{D f'(0)}$$

Fisher speed.