

Spatial-Temporal Patterns Arising in Active Media in the Vicinity of the Wave Bifurcation

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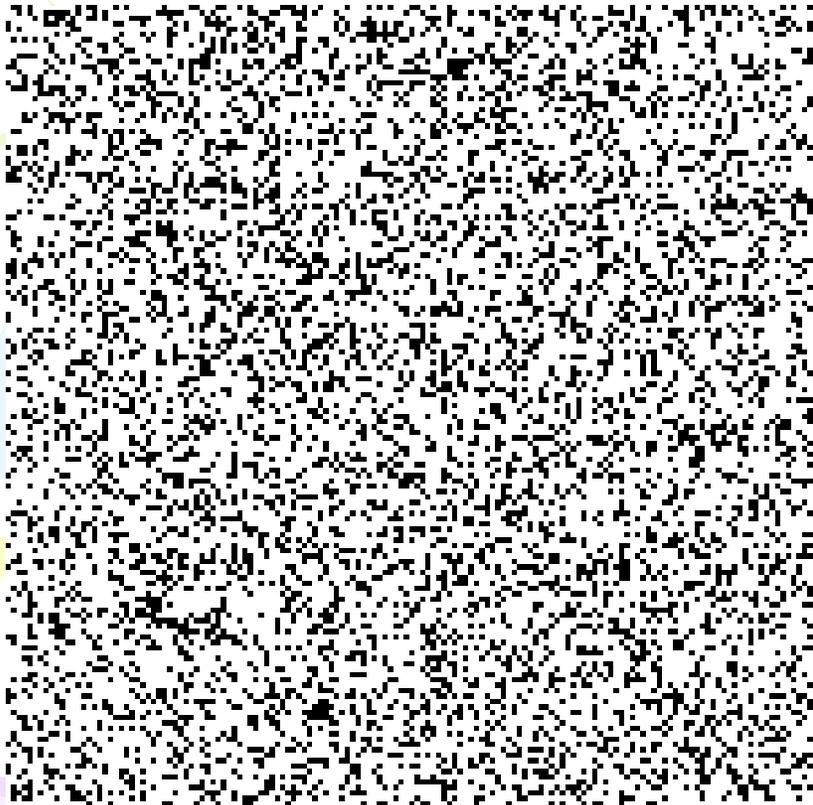


Talk outline

- Experimental background
- Diffusion instability
- Linear analysis of a three-variable system
- Spatial-temporal patterns in a multidimensional active medium caused by polymodal interaction near the wave bifurcation
- Mechanism of switching from standing to traveling waves accompanied by halving of the wavelength
- Conclusion

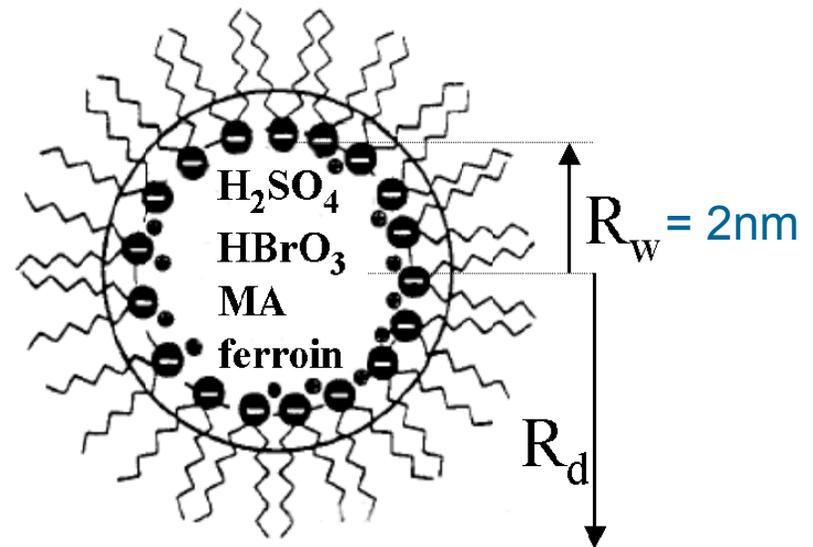
Microemulsion of water droplets, containing BZ reagents, in oil

(Vanag et al.)



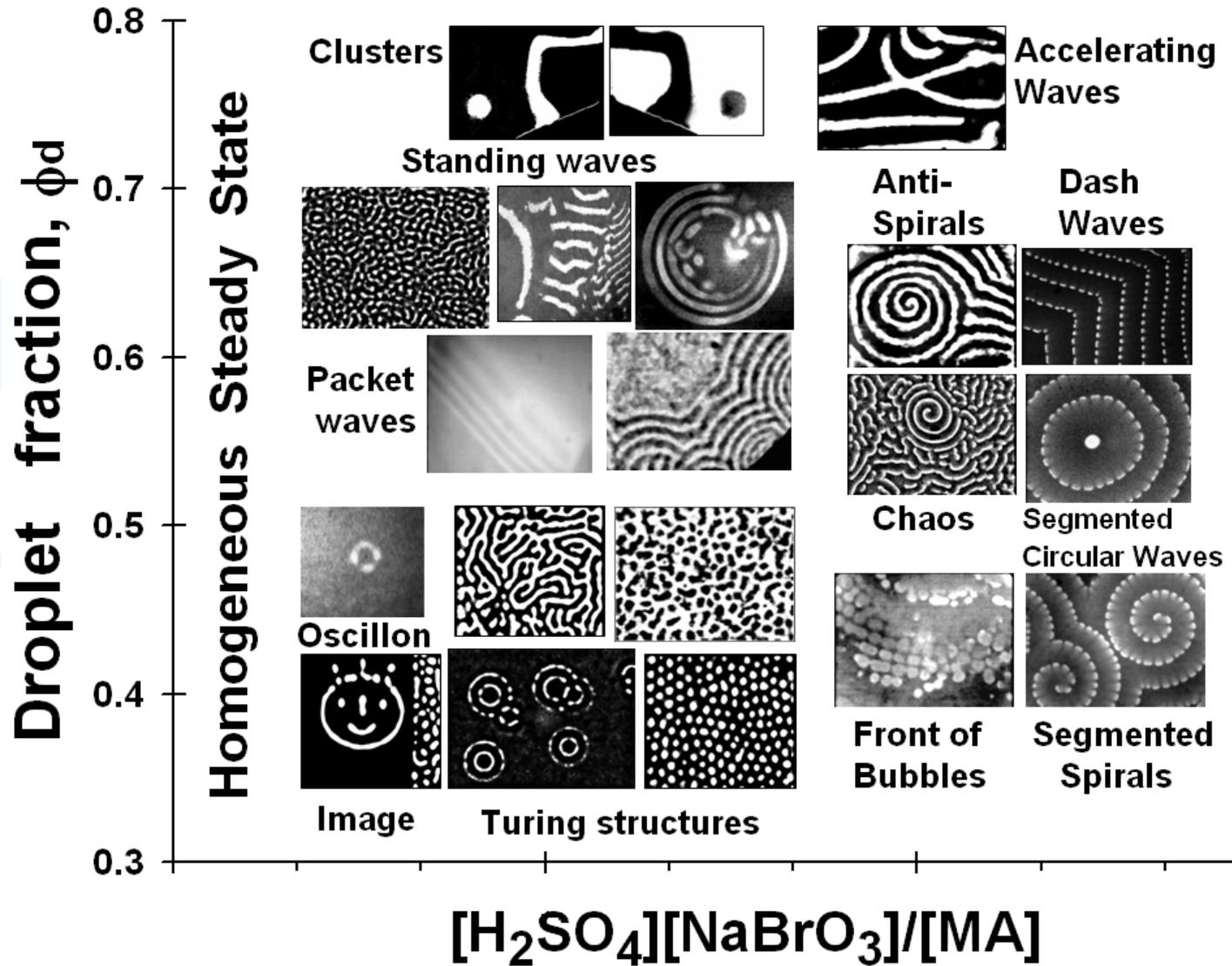
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Volume fraction of droplets $\varphi_d = 0.3$



Variety of patterns in BZ-AOT microemulsion

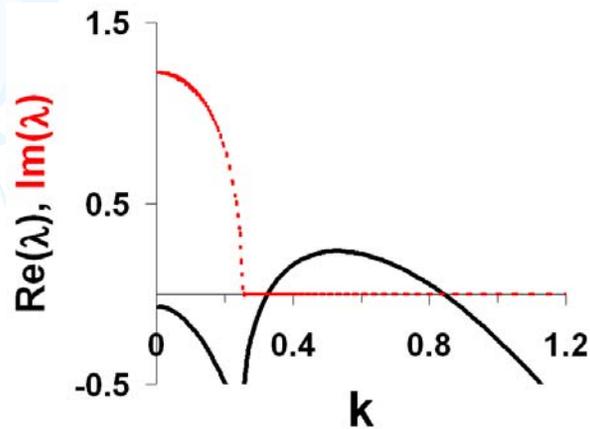
(Vanag, 2004)



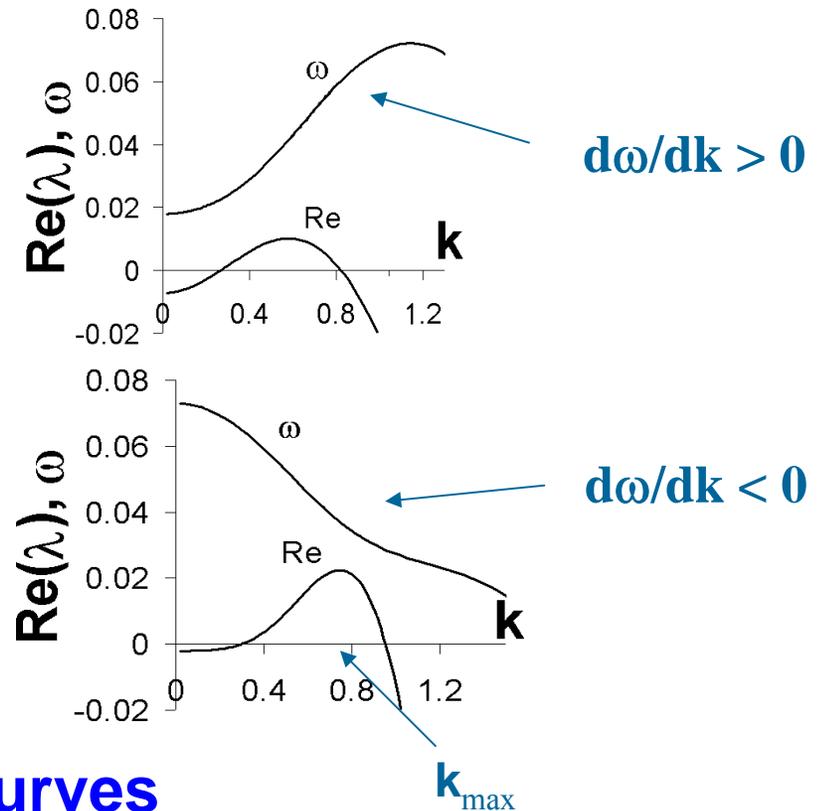
Diffusion instability

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}, \dots) + \nabla(\mathbf{D}\nabla \mathbf{u})$$

Turing instability



Wave instability



Dispersion curves

Turing instability in a two-variable system

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = au + bv + D_1 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2},$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = cu + dv + D_2 \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial r^2}$$

Uniform state (0,0) becomes unstable, if

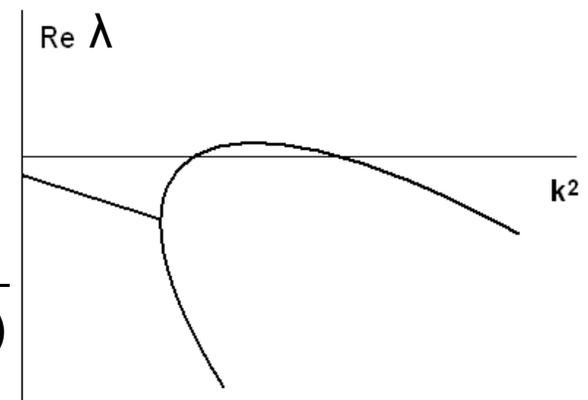
a) $ad - bc > 0,$

b) $a + d < 0,$

c) $d < 0,$

d) $a > 0,$

e) $D_2 a + D_1 d > 2\sqrt{D_1 D_2 (ad - bc)}$



Linear analysis of a three-variable system

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = f(u, v, w) + D_1 \Delta u, \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = g(u, v, w) + D_2 \Delta v, \\ \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = h(u, v, w) + D_3 \Delta w. \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial t} = a_{11} \bar{u} + a_{12} \bar{v} + a_{13} \bar{w} + D_1 \Delta \bar{u}, \\ \frac{\partial \bar{v}}{\partial t} = a_{21} \bar{u} + a_{22} \bar{v} + a_{23} \bar{w} + D_2 \Delta \bar{v}, \\ \frac{\partial \bar{w}}{\partial t} = a_{31} \bar{u} + a_{32} \bar{v} + a_{33} \bar{w} + D_3 \Delta \bar{w}. \end{cases}$$

Characteristic equation

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} - k^2 D_1 - \Lambda & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} - k^2 D_2 - \Lambda & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} - k^2 D_3 - \Lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$



$$\Lambda^3 - A\Lambda^2 + B\Lambda - C = 0$$

$$A = \sigma - k^2(D_1 + D_2 + D_3),$$

$$B = \Sigma - k^2(D_1(a_{22} + a_{33}) + D_2(a_{11} + a_{33}) + D_3(a_{11} + a_{22})) + k^4(D_1D_2 + D_1D_3 + D_2D_3),$$

$$C = \Delta - k^2 \sum_{i=1}^3 D_i \Theta_i + k^4 \cdot (D_1D_2a_{33} + D_1D_3a_{22} + D_2D_3a_{11}) - k^6 D_1D_2D_3,$$

$$\sigma = a_{11} + a_{22} + a_{33}, \quad \Sigma = \sum_{i=1}^3 \Theta_i, \quad \Theta_i = a_{jj}a_{kk} - a_{jk}a_{kj}, \quad i \neq j \neq k,$$

$$\Delta = a_{11}(a_{22}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{32}) - a_{12}(a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31}) + a_{13}(a_{21}a_{32} - a_{22}a_{31}).$$

Relations between coefficients of the cubic equation and its roots:

$$\begin{cases} A = \Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2 + \Lambda_3, \\ B = \Lambda_1\Lambda_2 + \Lambda_2\Lambda_3 + \Lambda_1\Lambda_3, \\ C = \Lambda_1\Lambda_2\Lambda_3, \\ AB - C = (\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2)(\Lambda_2 + \Lambda_3)(\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_3). \end{cases}$$

The examined state of the system is stable if for all eigenvalues of characteristic equation $\operatorname{Re}\Lambda_i(k^2) < 0$, $i = 1, 2, 3$.

Uniform state is stable if and only if

$$\begin{cases} A < 0, \\ B > 0, \\ C < 0, \\ AB - C < 0. \end{cases}$$

Turing bifurcation

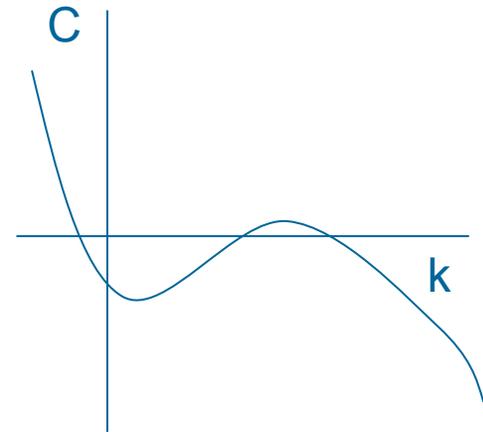
The function $C(k^2)$ has the form $C(k^2) = \Delta - \alpha k^2 + \beta k^4 - \delta k^6$

where $\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^3 D_i \Theta_i$ $\beta = D_1 D_2 a_{33} + D_1 D_3 a_{22} + D_2 D_3 a_{11}$ $\delta = D_1 D_2 D_3$

For Turing instability to take place the following condition should be met

$$C_{\max}(k_0^2) = \Delta + \frac{1}{27\delta^2} \left\{ 2(\beta^2 - 3\alpha\delta)^{\frac{3}{2}} + \beta(2\beta^2 - 9\alpha\delta) \right\} > 0,$$

where $k_0^2 = \frac{1}{3\delta} \left(\beta + \sqrt{\beta^2 - 3\alpha\delta} \right)$



The conditions for Turing instability
in the case $a_{11} > 0, D_1 \ll D_2, D_3$

$$\sigma < 0, \quad \Sigma > 0, \quad \Delta < 0,$$

$$\sigma \cdot \Sigma - \Delta < 0,$$

$$\frac{D_2 D_3}{D_1^2} > \frac{27}{4} \frac{(-\Delta)}{a_{11}^3}.$$

Wave instability

$$F(k^2) = AB - C = \sigma\Sigma - \Delta - \alpha k^2 + \beta k^4 - \delta k^6.$$

where

$$\alpha = D_1(\sigma^2 - a_{11}^2 - a_{12}a_{21} - a_{13}a_{31}) + D_2(\sigma^2 - a_{22}^2 - a_{12}a_{21} - a_{23}a_{32}) + D_3(\sigma^2 - a_{33}^2 - a_{13}a_{31} - a_{23}a_{32}),$$

$$\beta = (D_1 + D_3)(D_2 + D_3)(a_{11} + a_{22}) + (D_1 + D_2)(D_2 + D_3)(a_{11} + a_{33}) + (D_1 + D_2)(D_1 + D_3)(a_{22} + a_{33}),$$

$$\delta = (D_1 + D_2)(D_2 + D_3)(D_1 + D_3)$$

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The conditions for wave instability
in the case $(a_{11} + a_{22}) > 0$, $\sigma < 0$, $D_3 \gg D_1, D_2$

$$\Sigma > 0, \quad \Delta < 0,$$

$$\sigma \cdot \Sigma - \Delta < 0,$$

$$\left(\frac{D_1 + D_2}{D_3} \right)^2 < \frac{4}{27} \frac{(a_{11} + a_{22})^3}{(\Delta - \sigma \cdot \Sigma)}.$$

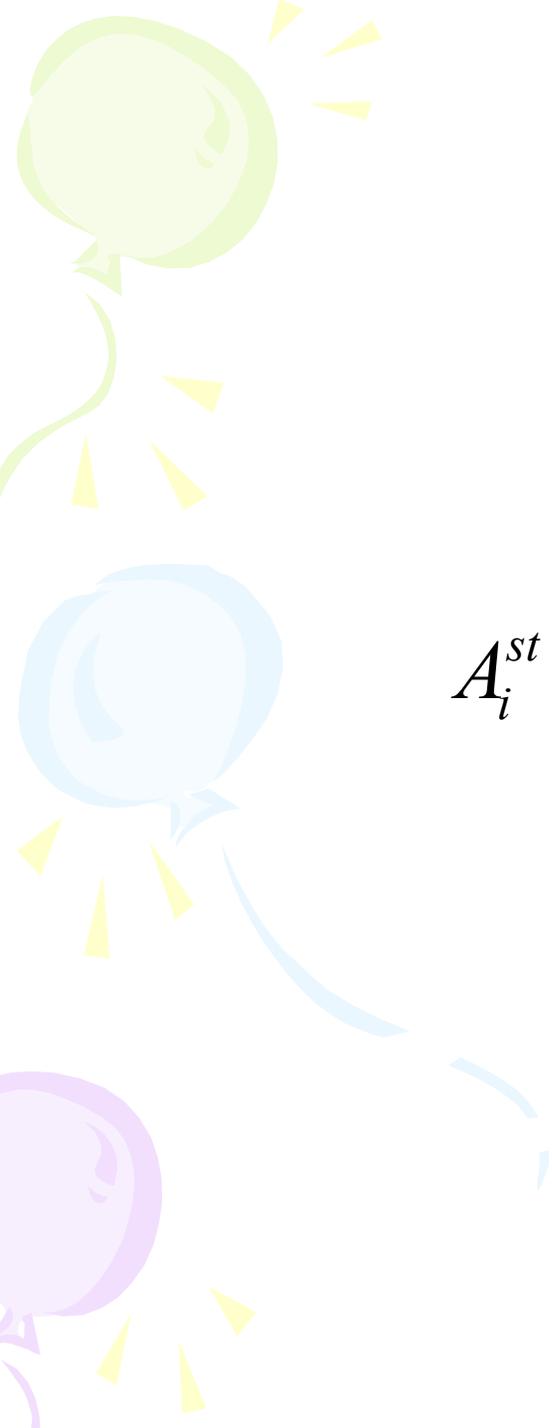
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$$\partial_t \tilde{A}_j = \tilde{A}_j - (1 - ic_1) \tilde{A}_j |\tilde{A}_j|^2 - h(1 - ic_2) \tilde{A}_j \cdot \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^N |\tilde{A}_k|^2, \quad j \in \overline{1, N}. \quad (1)$$

\tilde{A}_j are complex amplitudes of modes corresponding to equal in length but different in direction wave vectors becoming unstable due to the wave bifurcation.

$$\tilde{A}_j = A_j e^{i\varphi_j}$$

$$\partial_t A_i = A_i - A_i^3 - A_i \cdot h \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^N A_j^2, \quad i \in \overline{1, N}. \quad (2)$$



Stationary states of (2)

$$A_i^{st} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (p-1)h}}, & i \in \overline{1, p}, \\ 0, & i \in \overline{p+1, N} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

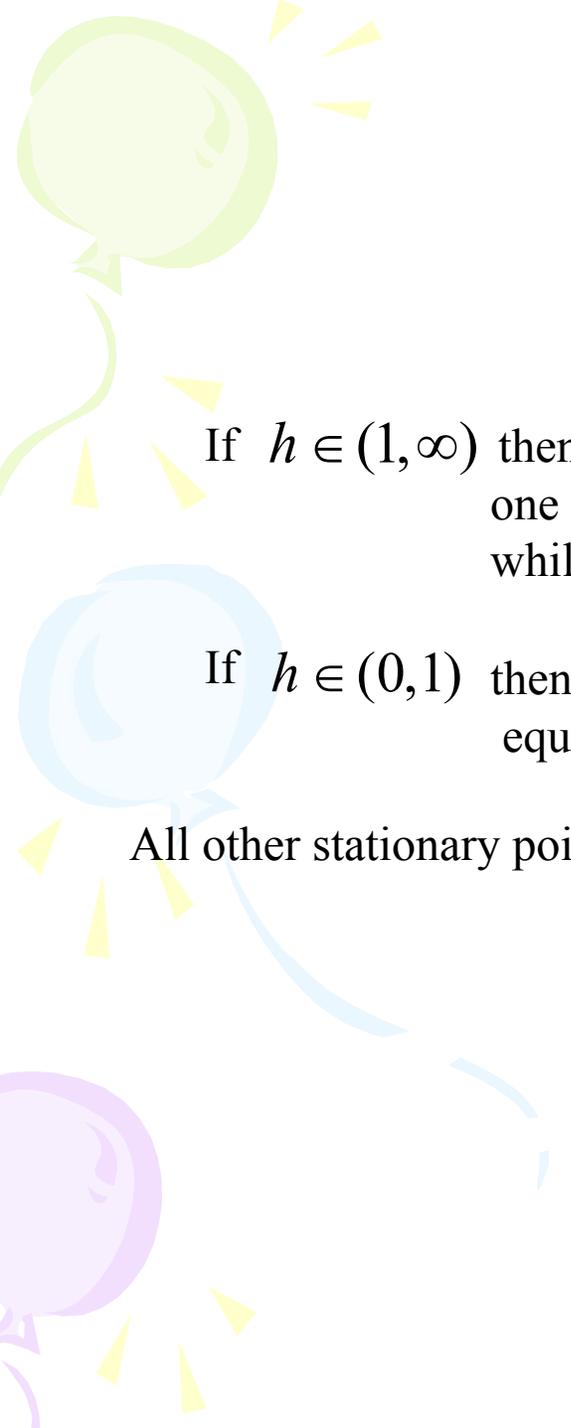
Linear stability of a stationary state (3)

Equations (2) linearized near the point (3)

$$\begin{cases} \delta \dot{A}_i = \frac{2}{1 + (p-1)h} (-\delta A_i - h \sum_{\substack{j=1, \\ j \neq i}}^p \delta A_j), & i \in \overline{1, p}, \\ \delta \dot{A}_i = \frac{(1-h)}{1 + (p-1)h} \delta A_i, & i \in \overline{p+1, N}. \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

Eigenvalues of the dispersion equation for the set (4)

$$\lambda_k = \begin{cases} -2(1 + (p-1)h), & k = 1 \\ 2(h-1), & k \in \overline{2, p} \\ 1-h, & k \in \overline{p+1, N} \end{cases}$$



Theorem

If $h \in (1, \infty)$ then equations (1) have N stable stationary states such that only one of the amplitudes is nonzero and its magnitude equals unity, while all the others are zero.

If $h \in (0, 1)$ then all the amplitudes are nonzero and have the same magnitudes equal to $1/\sqrt{1 + (N-1)h}$

All other stationary points are unstable for any h .

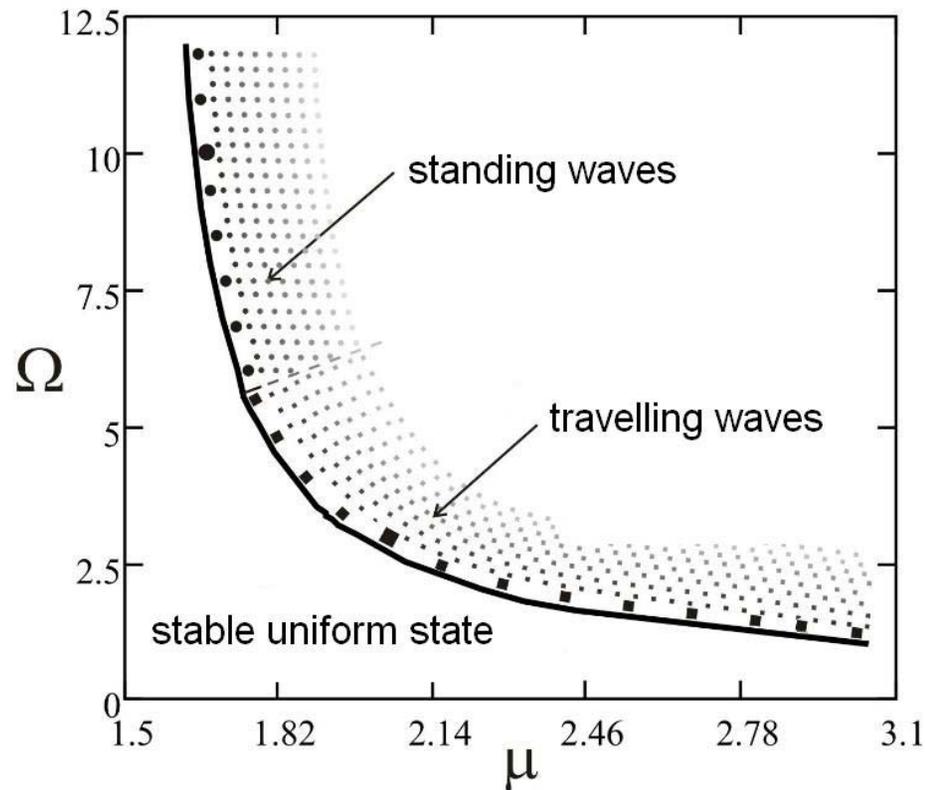
The modified Gierer-Mainhardt model: parametric analysis and numerical simulations

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dX}{dt} = \left(\rho + \frac{X^2}{Y} - \mu Z - cX + dZ\right)\Omega + D_1 \nabla^2 X, \\ \frac{dY}{dt} = Z^2 - Y + D_2 \nabla^2 Y, \\ \frac{dZ}{dt} = cX - dZ + D_3 \nabla^2 Z \end{cases}$$

These equations have one stationary point:

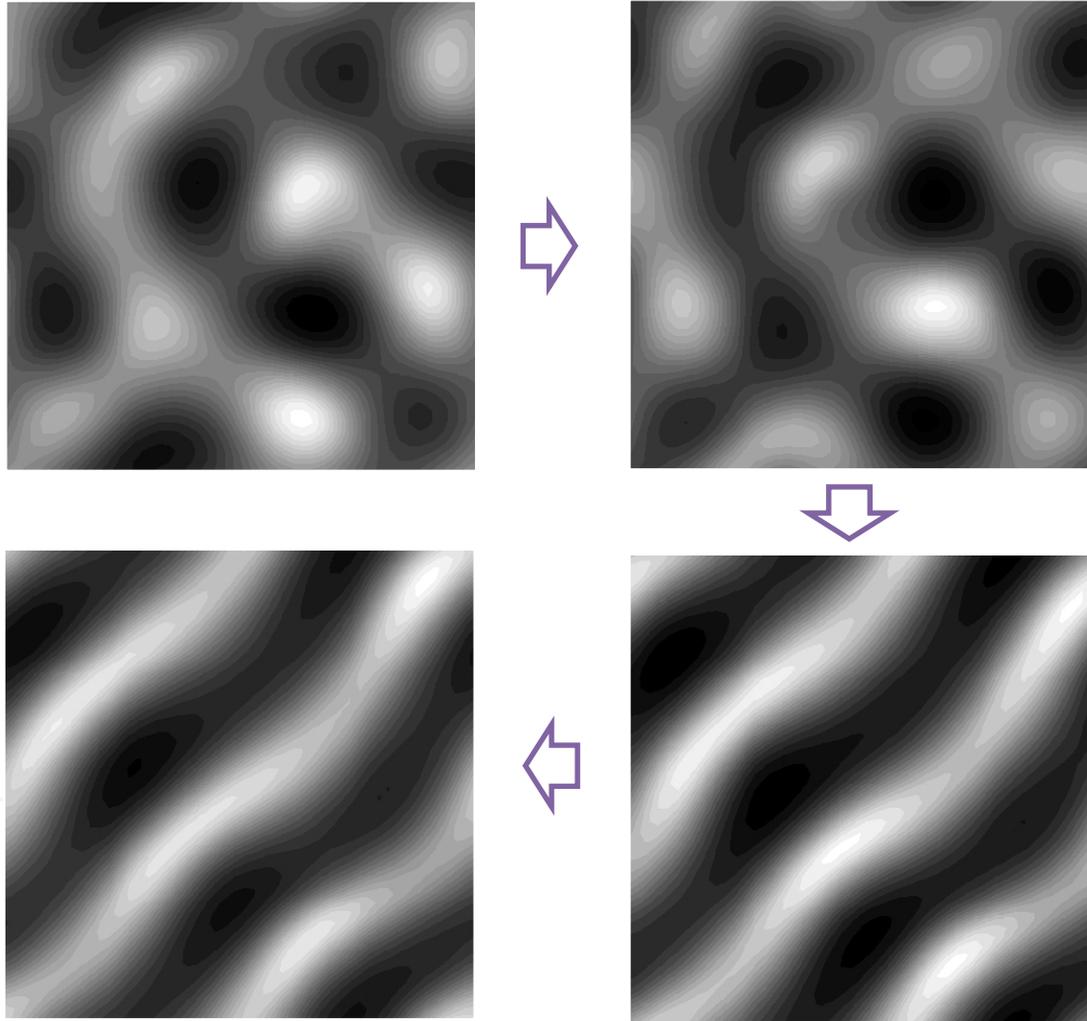
$$X_0 = \frac{\rho+1}{\mu}, \quad Y_0 = \left(\frac{\rho+1}{\mu}\right)^2, \quad Z_0 = \frac{c(\rho+1)}{d\mu}$$

Parametric space of the model (5)

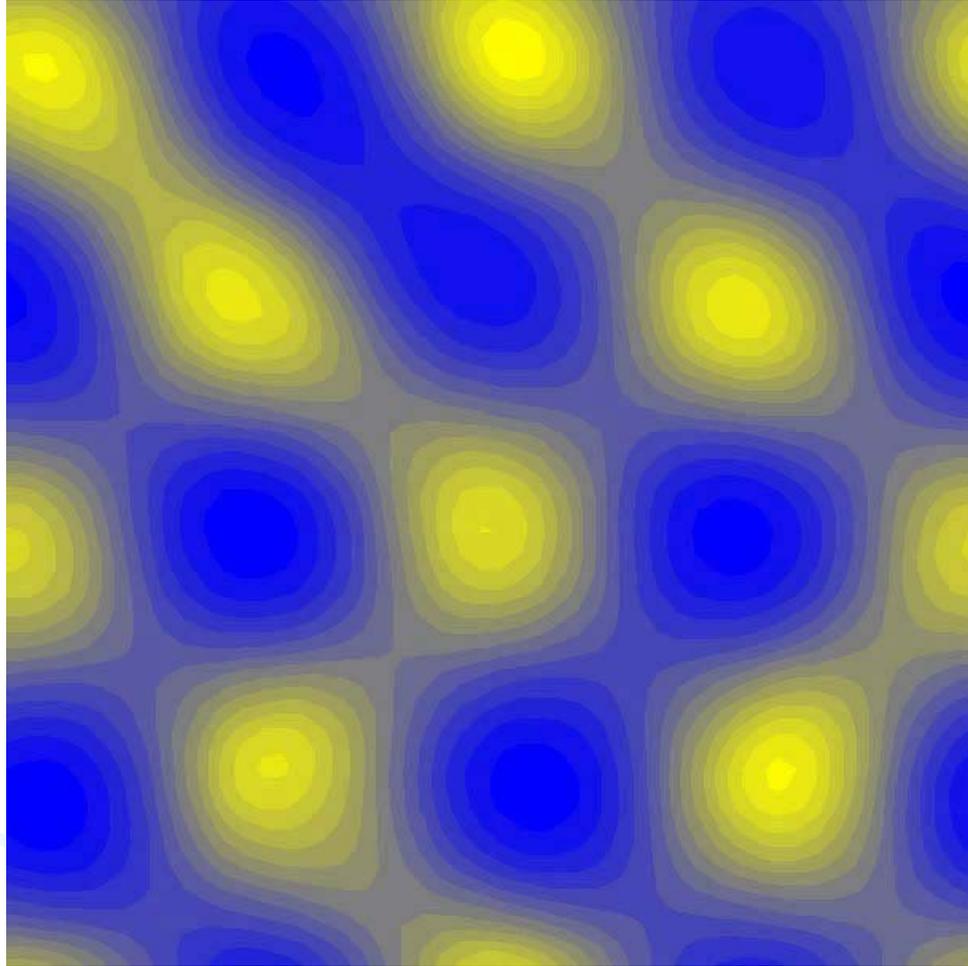


The Ω, μ plane. The domain corresponding to the wave instability is above the line. Other parameters of the model: $\rho=0.23, c=1, d=1, D_1=1, D_2=1, D_3=50$

Travelling waves (numerical simulations)

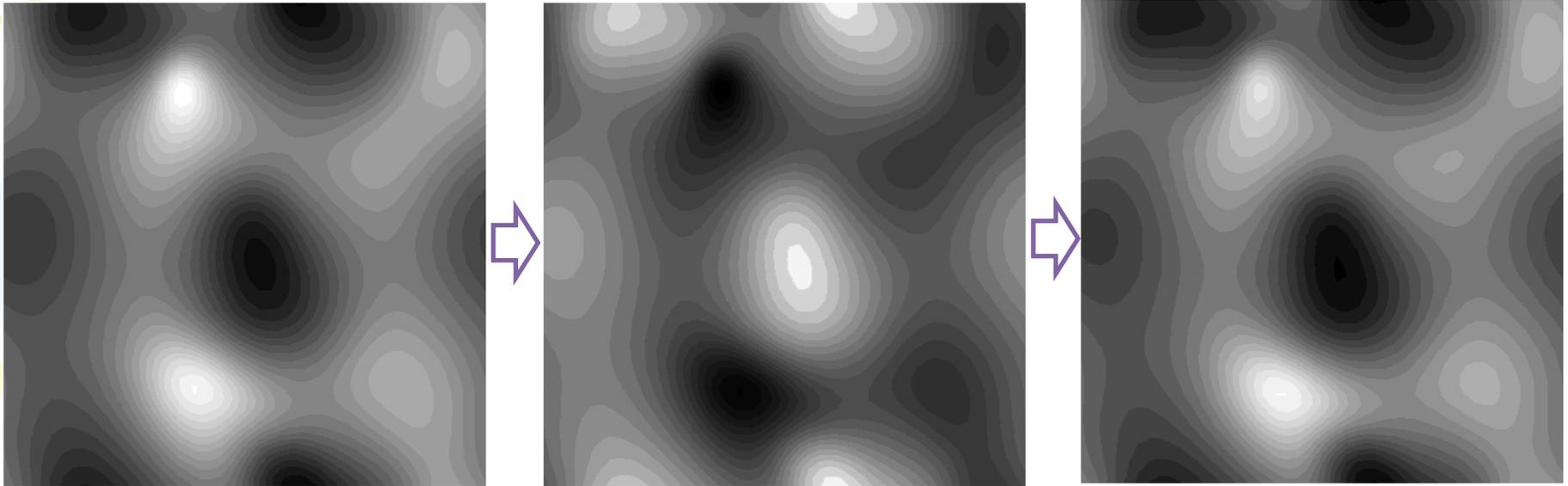


Parameters: $\rho=0.23$, $\mu=2$, $\Omega=3$, $c=1$, $d=1$, $D_1 = 1$, $D_2 = 1$, $D_3 = 50$.
Domain size: 150x150.

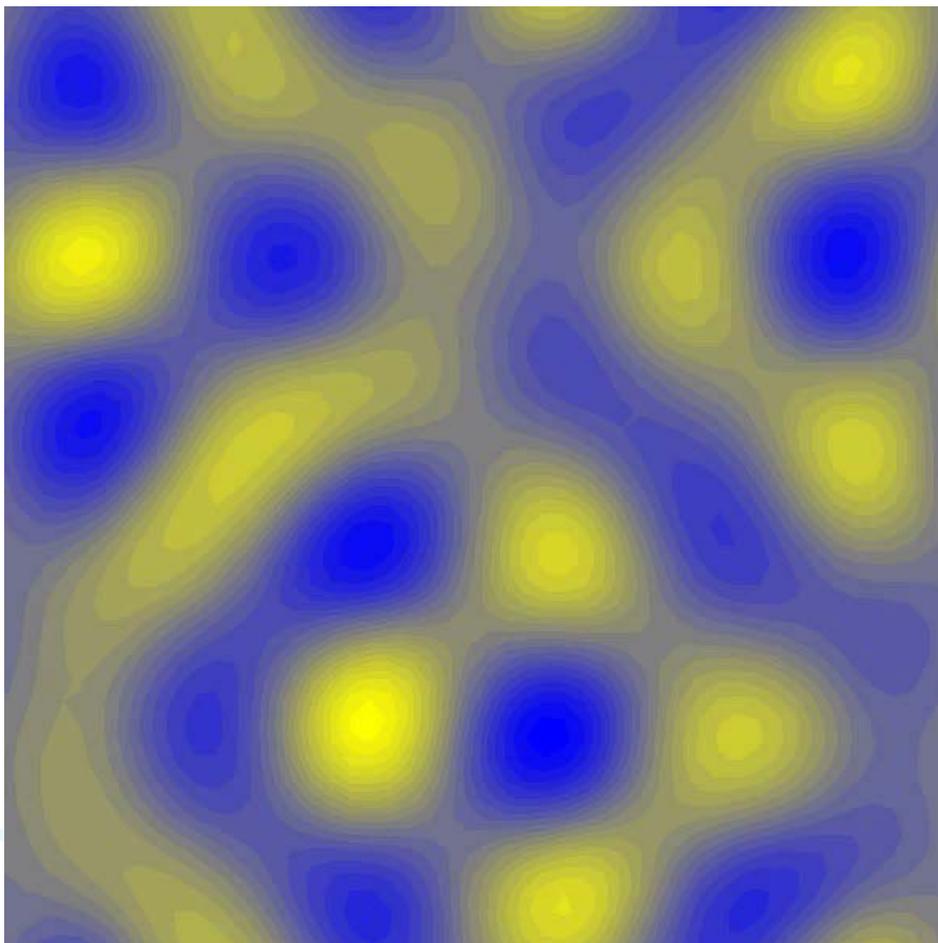


Travelling wave

Standing waves (numerical simulations)



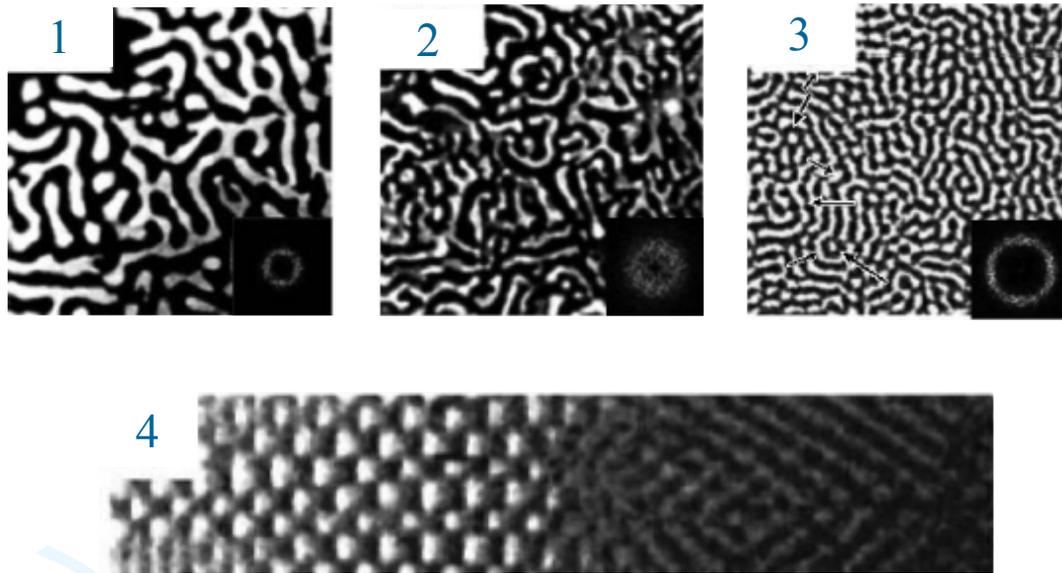
Parameters: $\rho=0.23$, $\mu=1.65$, $\Omega=10$, $c=1$, $d=1$, $D_1 = 1$, $D_2 = 1$, $D_3 = 50$.
Domain size: 150x150.



Standing wave

Mechanism of Switching From Standing to Traveling Waves

Accompanied by Halving of the Wavelength



¹Kaminaga A., Vanag V.K., Epstein I.R. Wavelength Halving in a Transition between Standing Waves and Traveling Waves // *Phys. Rev. Lett.* v. 95, 2002.

Assumptions

- A standing wave is excited by a supercritical wave bifurcation for the wave with the wave vector k_{SW}

$$u_1(r, t) = \tilde{A}_1 e^{i(\omega_{SW}t + k_{SW}r)} + \tilde{A}_2 e^{i(\omega_{SW}t - k_{SW}r)}$$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\tilde{A}}_1 = \tilde{A}_1 - (1 - ic_1)\tilde{A}_1|\tilde{A}_1|^2 - h_1(1 - ic_2)\tilde{A}_1|\tilde{A}_2|^2, \\ \dot{\tilde{A}}_2 = \tilde{A}_2 - (1 - ic_1)\tilde{A}_2|\tilde{A}_2|^2 - h_1(1 - ic_2)\tilde{A}_2|\tilde{A}_1|^2. \end{cases}$$

$$h_1 \in (0, 1) \quad \longrightarrow \quad |\tilde{A}_{1,2}| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + h_1}}$$

- A wave with a twofold wave number $2k_{SW}$ related to a standing wave is stable, but can be excited in a rigid manner due to a subcritical bifurcation.

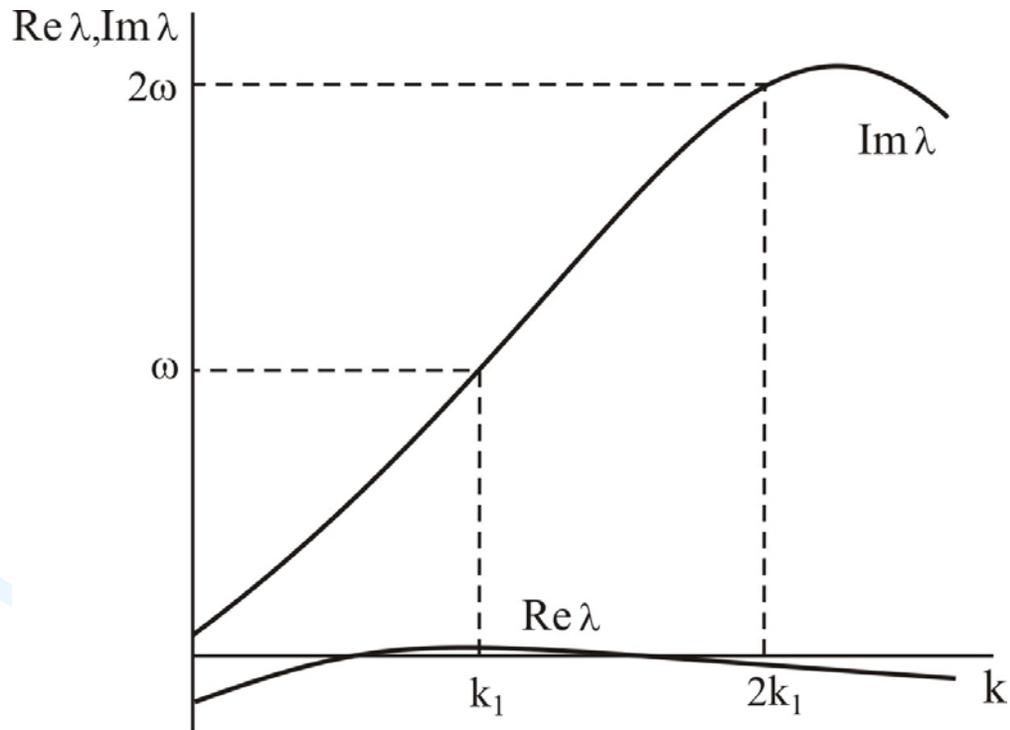
$$u_2(r, t) = \tilde{B}_1 e^{i(\omega_2 t + 2k_{SW} r)} + \tilde{B}_2 e^{i(\omega_2 t - 2k_{SW} r)}$$

In this case in the corresponding amplitude equations we should take into account besides cubic terms also terms of the fifth power.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\tilde{B}}_1 = -\alpha \tilde{B}_1 + (1 - id_1) \tilde{B}_1 |\tilde{B}_1|^2 - (1 - id_3) \beta \cdot \tilde{B}_1 |\tilde{B}_1|^4 - h_2 (1 - id_2) \tilde{B}_1 |\tilde{B}_2|^2, \\ \dot{\tilde{B}}_2 = -\alpha \tilde{B}_2 + (1 - id_1) \tilde{B}_2 |\tilde{B}_2|^2 - (1 - id_3) \beta \cdot \tilde{B}_2 |\tilde{B}_2|^4 - h_2 (1 - id_2) \tilde{B}_2 |\tilde{B}_1|^2, \end{cases}$$

$$h_2 > 1 - 4\alpha\beta$$

- There is a resonance between the first and the second waves, namely, the wave with a twofold wave number has also a duplicated frequency.

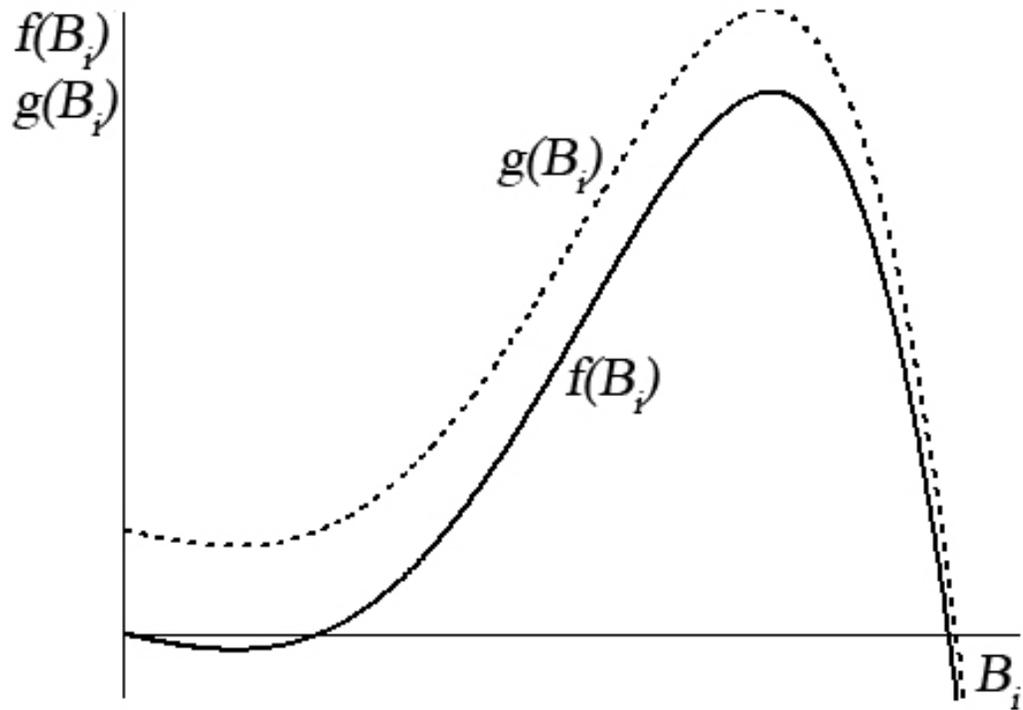


$$u(r, t) = \tilde{A}_1 e^{i(\omega_{SW}t + k_{SW}r)} + \tilde{A}_2 e^{i(\omega_{SW}t - k_{SW}r)} + \tilde{B}_1 e^{i(2\omega_{SW}t + 2k_{SW}r)} + \tilde{B}_2 e^{i(2\omega_{SW}t - 2k_{SW}r)}.$$

In terms of amplitude equations this resonance means that besides the conventional cubic terms describing interaction between the modes there is also a term, proportional to the square of the first mode amplitude in the equation for the second mode.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dA_1}{dt} = A_1 - A_1^3 - h_1 A_2^2 A_1 - \delta_1 (B_1^2 + B_2^2) A_1, \\ \frac{dA_2}{dt} = A_2 - A_2^3 - h_1 A_1^2 A_2 - \delta_1 (B_1^2 + B_2^2) A_2, \\ \frac{dB_1}{dt} = -\alpha B_1 + B_1^3 - \beta B_1^5 - h_2 B_2^2 B_1 - \delta_2 (A_1^2 + A_2^2) B_1 + \sigma \cos \psi_1(t) A_1^2, \\ \frac{dB_2}{dt} = -\alpha B_2 + B_2^3 - \beta B_2^5 - h_2 B_1^2 B_2 - \delta_2 (A_1^2 + A_2^2) B_2 + \sigma \cos \psi_2(t) A_2^2, \end{cases}$$

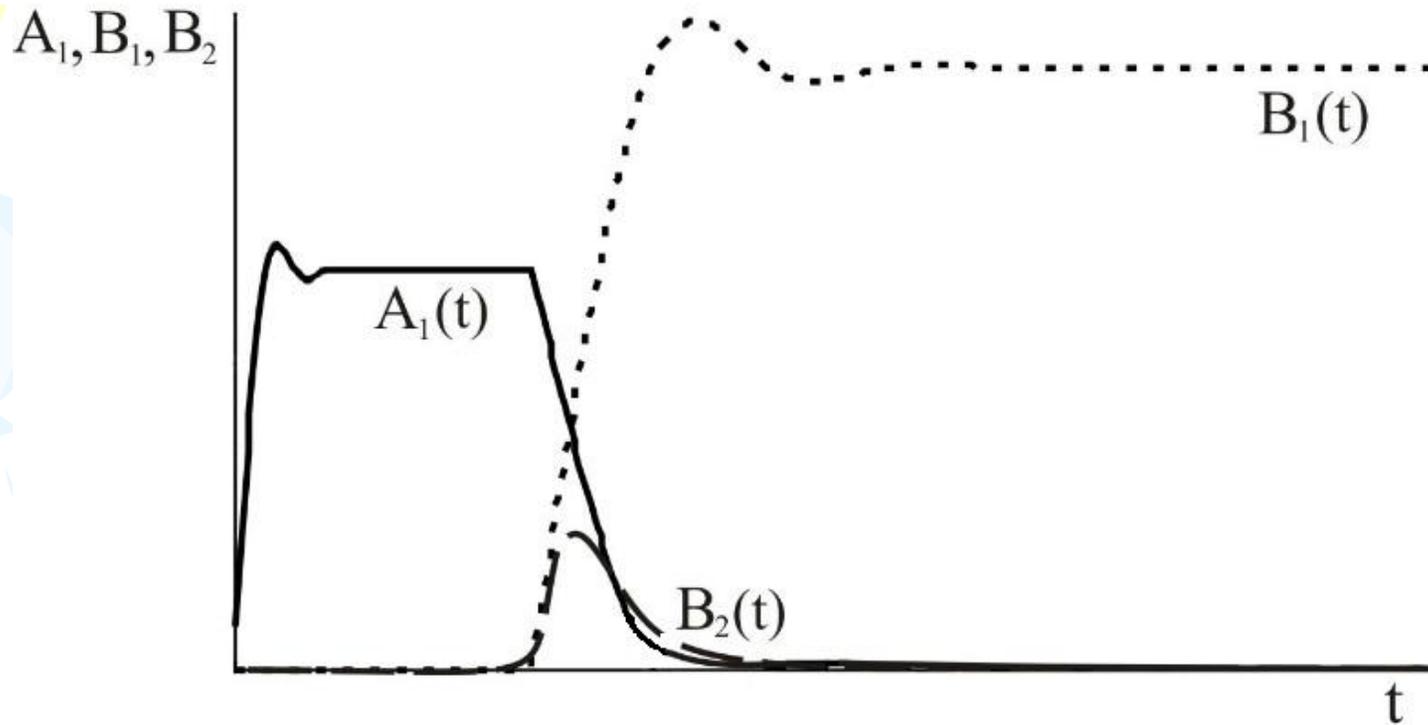
where $A_i = |\tilde{A}_i|$ and $B_i = |\tilde{B}_i|$



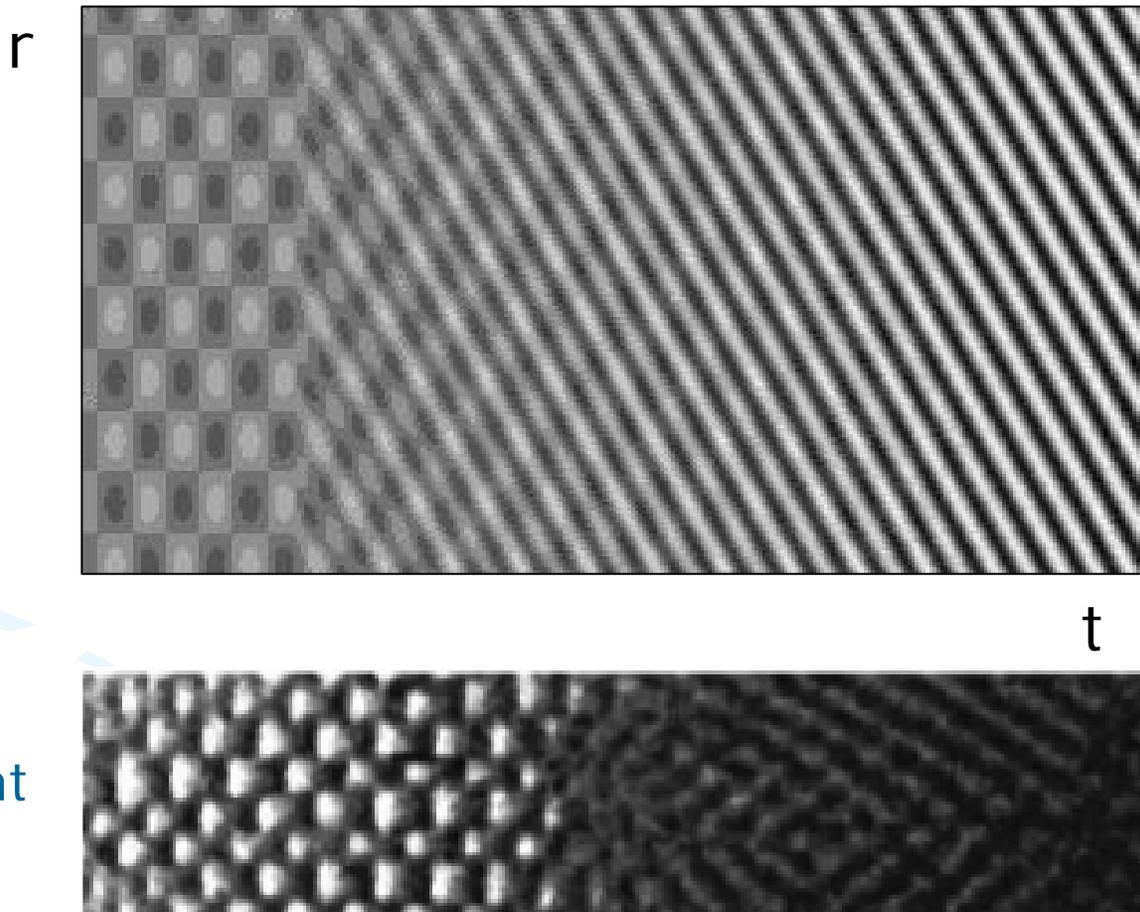
$$f(B_i) = -\alpha B_i + B_i^3 - \beta B_i^5$$

$$g(B_i) = -\left(\alpha + 2\frac{\delta_2}{1+h_1}\right)B_i + B_i^3 - \beta B_i^5 + \frac{\sigma}{1+h_1}$$

Numerical experiments

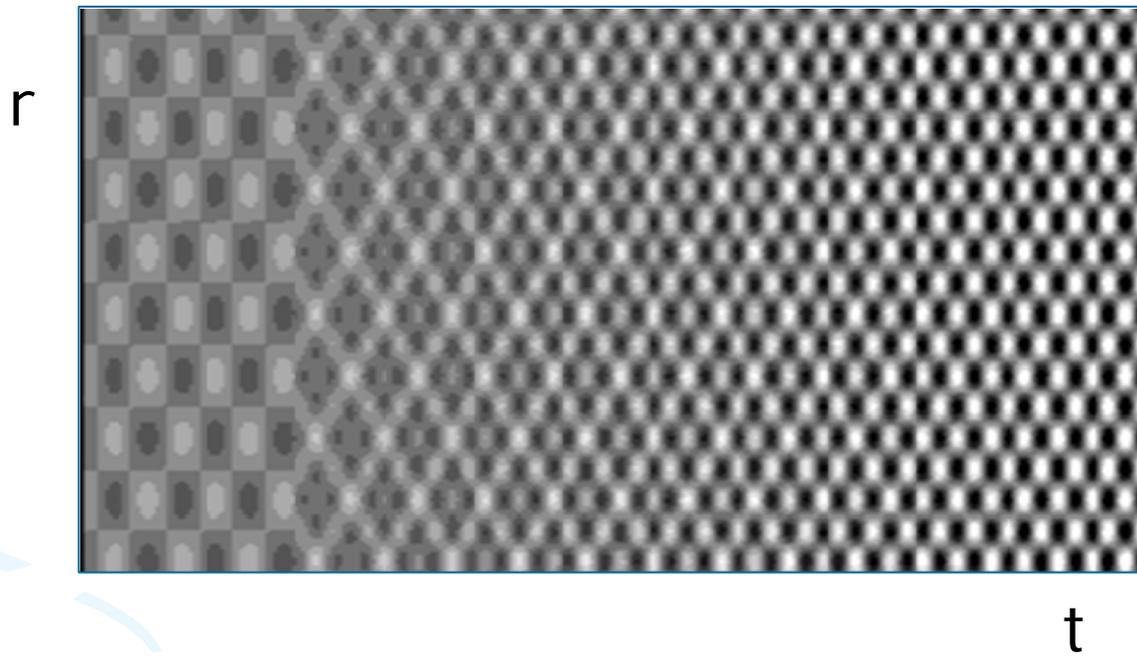


Space-time plot $u(r, t)$ of the transition from standing to travelling wave for $h_2 > 1 - 4\alpha\beta$



experiment

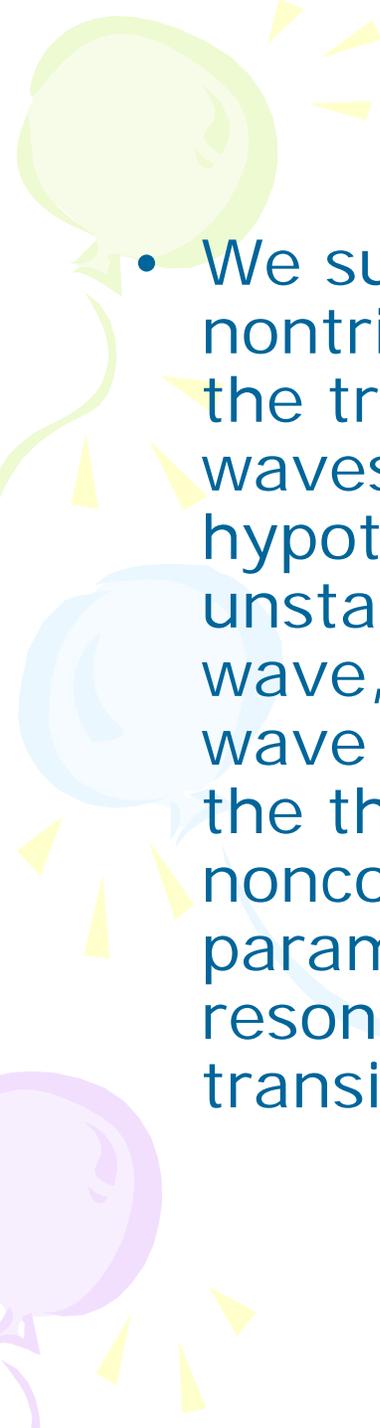
Space-time plot $u(r, t)$ of the transition from standing to **standing** wave with half wavelength for $h_2 < 1 - 4\alpha\beta$





Conclusion

- We have shown that though in multidimensional space a lot of modes contribute to pattern formation, in fact the variety of possible patterns is very limited: either there is a standing wave with rather complicated spatial structure (all of the modes survive) for low intermodal competition, or there is a quasi one-dimensional travelling wave for strong competition. In fact it means that having just a snapshot of the pattern we can immediately say whether we deal with a standing or travelling wave.

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- We suggested a possible mechanism for a rather nontrivial phenomenon observed in experiment: the transition from standing waves to travelling waves with the half-wavelength, based on the hypothesis of a kind of resonance between the unstable mode, responsible for the standing wave, and the rigidly excited mode with a twofold wave number. Though, from the point of view of the theory of dynamical systems, this situation is noncoarse, it is possible that due to the drift of parameters in a real experimental system such resonance may occur, resulting in the observed transition.

The background features a white surface with decorative elements on the left side. There are three balloons: a light green one at the top, a light blue one in the middle, and a light purple one at the bottom. Each balloon has a thin black outline and a small shadow. Yellow triangular confetti is scattered around the balloons. The text "Thank you for your attention!" is written in a bold, yellow, 3D-style font with a black outline and a drop shadow, slanted upwards from left to right.

Thank you for your attention!