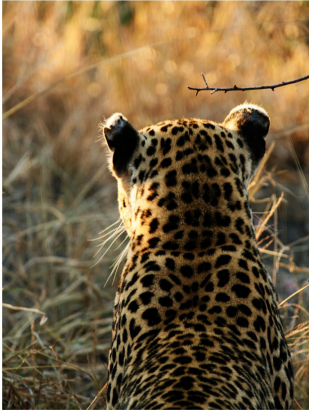


# Introduction to pattern formation

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## Natural patterns



Leopard spots



A herd of zebras



Slime-mold colony in early stages of aggregation

## Linear instability

- Turing instability
  - Reaction-diffusion equation
  - The Gierer-Meinhardt model.
- Rayleigh-Benard convection
- 1D Swift-Hohenberg equation
- Classification of linear instabilities

## Nonlinear states

- Nonlinear stripe state of Swift-Hohenberg equation
- Stability balloons

[M. Cross and H. Greenside, 2009]

# Turing instability

[ Turing, 1952 ]

- △ At least two interacting chemicals are needed for pattern formation;
- △ Diffusion causes pattern forming instability
- △ Instability caused by diffusion causes growth at a particular wavelength.
- △ Pattern formation will not occur unless the diffusion coefficients of two reagents differ substantially

## + Reaction-diffusion equation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{du_1}{dt} = f_1(u_1, u_2) + D_1 \frac{\partial^2 u_1}{\partial x^2} \\ \frac{du_2}{dt} = f_2(u_1, u_2) + D_2 \frac{\partial^2 u_2}{\partial x^2} \end{cases}$$

$u_i$ : concentration field of  $i$   
 $f_i$ : reaction rate of  $i$  (non-linear)  
 $D_i$ : diffusion coefficient

Assume a Base state:  $\begin{cases} f_1(u_{1b}, u_{2b}) = 0 \\ f_2(u_{1b}, u_{2b}) = 0 \end{cases}$

Linearize: perturbation  $u_p, u_p$  Assume mode:  $e^{\sigma_1 t} e^{iqx}$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} u_1(x, t) = u_{1b} + u_{p1} \\ u_2(x, t) = u_{2b} + u_{p2} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{du_{p1}}{dt} = \left. \frac{df_1}{du_1} \right|_b u_{p1} + \left. \frac{df_1}{du_2} \right|_b u_{p2} + D_1 \frac{\partial^2 u_{p1}}{\partial x^2} \\ \frac{du_{p2}}{dt} = \left. \frac{df_2}{du_1} \right|_b u_{p1} + \left. \frac{df_2}{du_2} \right|_b u_{p2} + D_2 \frac{\partial^2 u_{p2}}{\partial x^2} \end{cases}$$

write in vector form:

$$\rightarrow \frac{d\vec{u}_p}{dt} = A \vec{u}_p + D \frac{\partial^2 \vec{u}_p}{\partial x^2}, \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} \left. \frac{df_1}{du_1} \right|_b & \left. \frac{df_1}{du_2} \right|_b \\ \left. \frac{df_2}{du_1} \right|_b & \left. \frac{df_2}{du_2} \right|_b \end{pmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & \\ & D_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Eigenvalue problem: } G_q \vec{u}_q = A_q \vec{u}_q, \quad A_q = \begin{bmatrix} \left. \frac{df_1}{du_1} \right|_b - D_1 q^2 & \left. \frac{df_1}{du_2} \right|_b \\ \left. \frac{df_2}{du_1} \right|_b & \left. \frac{df_2}{du_2} \right|_b - D_2 q^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

A particular solution:  $(c_1 \vec{u}_{q_1} e^{\sigma_{q_1} t} + c_2 \vec{u}_{q_2} e^{\sigma_{q_2} t}) e^{iqx}$



→ characteristic polynomial =  $\det(A_q - G_q I) = 0$   
 $G_q^2 - (\text{tr} A_q) G_q + \det A_q = 0$

→ 2 eigenvalues :  $G_{q,1,2} = \frac{\text{tr} A_q \pm \sqrt{(\text{tr} A_q)^2 - 4 \det A_q}}{2}$

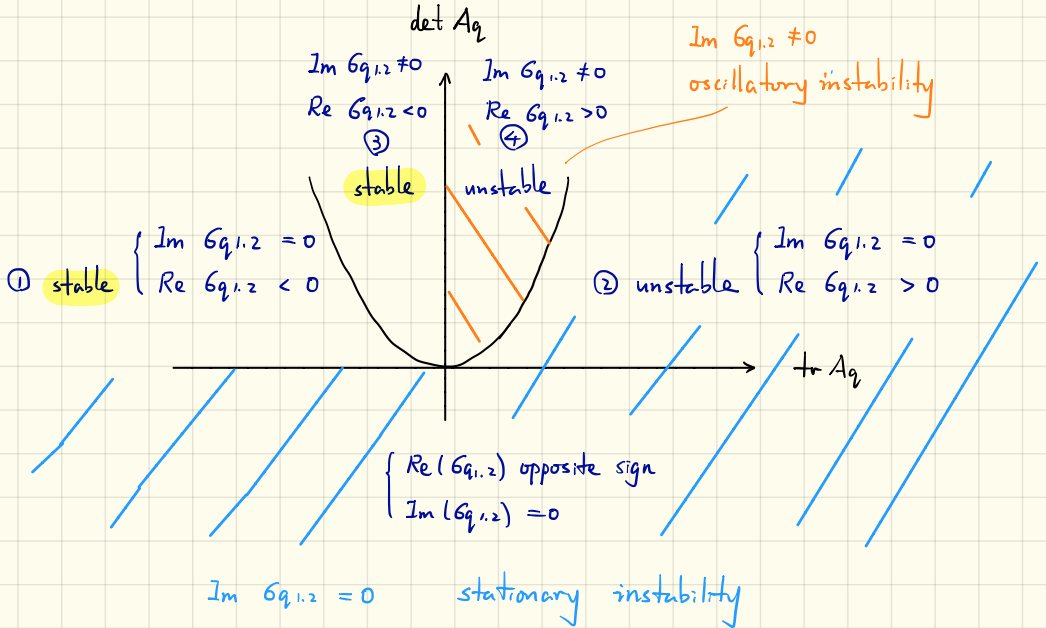
$G_{q,1,2} = \frac{\text{tr} A_q \pm \sqrt{(\text{tr} A_q)^2 - 4 \det A_q}}{2}$  ,  $\begin{cases} \det A_q = G_{q,1} G_{q,2} \\ \text{tr} A_q = G_{q,1} + G_{q,2} \end{cases}$

+  $\det A_q < 0$  :  $G_{q,1,2}$  are real with opposite signs

+  $\det A_q > 0$  :  $\begin{cases} (\text{tr} A_q)^2 - 4 \det A_q > 0 \\ (\text{tr} A_q)^2 - 4 \det A_q < 0 \end{cases} \begin{cases} \text{tr} A_q < 0 \text{ (} G_{q,1,2} < 0 \text{)} \\ \text{tr} A_q > 0 \text{ (} G_{q,1,2} > 0 \text{)} \end{cases}$

$\begin{cases} \text{tr} A_q < 0 \\ \text{tr} A_q > 0 \end{cases}$

stable ①  
 unstable ②  
 stable ③  
 unstable ④



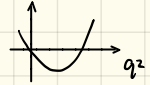
+ stable :  $\text{Re}(\lambda_{1,2}) < 0$

$$\begin{cases} \text{tr } A_q < 0 \\ \det(A_q) > 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{df_1}{du_1} + \frac{df_2}{du_2} - q^2(D_1 + D_2) < 0 \\ \left(\frac{df_1}{du_1} - q^2 D_1\right) \left(\frac{df_2}{du_2} - q^2 D_2\right) - \frac{df_1}{du_2} \frac{df_2}{du_1} > 0 \end{cases}$$

$D_1, D_2, q^2$  are positive  $\rightarrow \frac{df_1}{du_1} + \frac{df_2}{du_2} < 0$

If no diffusion,  $\frac{df_1}{du_1} + \frac{df_2}{du_2} < 0$  always true.

$\Rightarrow$  diffusion destabilize :  $\det(A_q)$  change to negative



$$\rightarrow \text{find } \begin{cases} q_m^2 = \frac{f_{2u_2} D_2 + f_{1u_1} D_1}{2D_1 D_2} \\ \min(\det A_{q_m}) = f_{1u_1} f_{2u_2} - f_{1u_2} f_{2u_1} - \frac{(f_{1u_1} D_2 + f_{2u_2} D_1)^2}{4D_1 D_2} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Set } \det(A_{q_m}) < 0 \rightarrow D_1 f_{2u_2} + D_2 f_{1u_1} > 2 \sqrt{D_1 D_2 (f_{1u_1} f_{2u_2} - f_{1u_2} f_{2u_1})}$$

$$(f_{ij} = \frac{df_i}{du_j})$$

condition for linear instability

$\Delta \Rightarrow D_1 f_{2u_2} + D_2 f_{1u_1} > 0$ , with  $f_{1u_1} + f_{2u_2} < 0$

$\Rightarrow f_{1u_1}$  and  $f_{2u_2}$  have opposite signs

Set  $f_{1u_1} > 0$ ,  $f_{2u_2} < 0$

define diffusion length :  $l_1 = \sqrt{\frac{D_1}{f_{1u_1}}}$ ,  $l_2 = \sqrt{\frac{D_2}{-f_{2u_2}}}$

$$\rightarrow q_m^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{l_1^2} - \frac{1}{l_2^2} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow l_1 < l_2$$

$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} f_{1u_1} > 0 \\ f_{2u_2} < 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{chemical 1 enhances its own instability : activator} \\ \text{chemical 2 inhibits } \text{---} \text{ inhibitor} \end{cases}$

$l_2 > l_1 \Rightarrow$  local activation with long-range inhibition

$$\frac{D_2}{D_1} > - \frac{f_{2u_2}}{f_{1u_1}}$$

# The Gierer-Meinhardt model.

[ Gierer and Meinhardt 1972 ]

$$\begin{cases} \frac{du_1}{dt} = p \frac{u_1^2}{u_2} - \mu_1 u_1 + D_1 \frac{d^2 u_1}{dx^2} \\ \frac{du_2}{dt} = p u_1^2 - \mu_2 u_2 + D_2 \frac{d^2 u_2}{dx^2} \end{cases} \quad \mu_1, \mu_2: \text{decay rate}$$

Simplify by:  $p=1, \mu_2=1, \rightarrow$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{du_1}{dt} = \frac{u_1^2}{u_2} - \mu_1 u_1 + D_1 \frac{d^2 u_1}{dx^2} \\ \frac{du_2}{dt} = u_1^2 - u_2 + D_2 \frac{d^2 u_2}{dx^2} \end{cases}$$

Find a base state  $u_{1b} = \frac{1}{\mu_1}, u_{2b} = \frac{1}{\mu_1^2}$

Jacobian:  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2u_1}{u_2} - \mu_1 & -\frac{u_1^2}{u_2^2} \\ 2u_1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} (u_{1b}, u_{2b}) = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 & -\mu_1^2 \\ \frac{2}{\mu_1} & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

stable:  $\begin{cases} \text{tr} A < 0 \\ \det A > 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mu_1 < 1 \\ \mu_1 > 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow 0 < \mu_1 < 1$

Add diffusion and small perturbation  $u_{1p}, u_{2p}$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{du_{1p}}{dt} = \mu_1 u_{1p} - \mu_1^2 u_{2p} + D_1 \frac{d^2 u_{1p}}{dx^2} \\ \frac{du_{2p}}{dt} = \frac{2}{\mu_1} u_{1p} - u_{2p} + D_2 \frac{d^2 u_{2p}}{dx^2} \end{cases}$$

eigenvalue problem  $\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} u_{1p} \\ u_{2p} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 - q^2 D_1 & -\mu_1^2 \\ \frac{2}{\mu_1} & -1 - q^2 D_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{1p} \\ u_{2p} \end{pmatrix}$

+ Looking for at least one  $\text{Re}(\sigma_q) > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \det A_q < 0 &\Rightarrow (\mu_1 - q^2 D_1)(-1 - q^2 D_2) + \frac{2}{\mu_1} < 0 \\ &\Rightarrow -D_1 + \mu_1 D_2 > 2\sqrt{D_1 D_2} \mu_1 \end{aligned}$$

set periodic boundary condition:

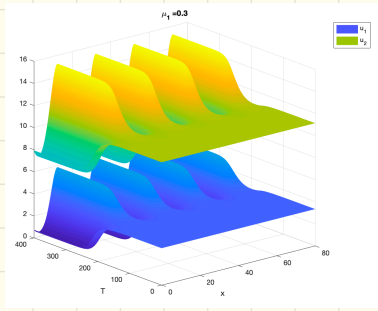
$$\rightarrow \text{solution: } \sum_n A_n e^{G_n t} \cos(qx), \quad q = \frac{n\pi}{L}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$q_{\min}^2 = \frac{\mu_1 D_2 - D_1 + \sqrt{(\mu_1 D_2 - D_1)^2 - 4\mu_1 D_2 D_1}}{2D_1 D_2} = \frac{\pi^2}{L^2}$$

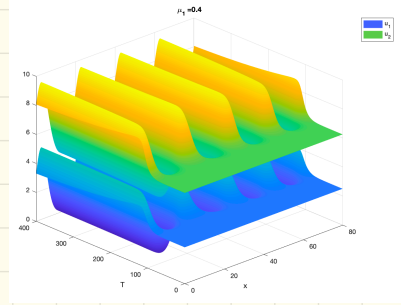
$$\rightarrow \text{critical length } L_c = \frac{\pi}{q_{\min}}$$



$$\mu_1 = 0.3, D_1 = 1, D_2 = 30$$



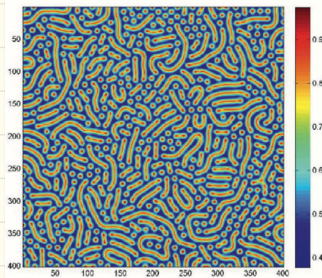
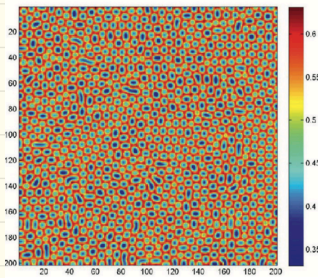
$$\mu_1 = 0.4, D_1 = 1, D_2 = 30$$



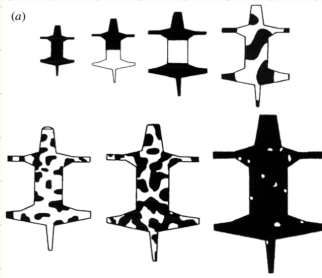
[Y. Song, et al 2017]

$$\begin{cases} \frac{du_1}{dt} = r \left[ \frac{u_1^2}{(1 + \mu_1 u_1^2)} u_2 - c u_1 \right] + D_1 \nabla^2 u_1 \\ \frac{du_2}{dt} = r (u_1^2 - a u_2) + D_2 \nabla^2 u_2 \end{cases}$$

After 5000 iterations, inhibitor: in different  $\frac{a}{c}$



[J.D. Murray 2012]



numerical simulation.  
only scale parameters are different

# Reaction-diffusion models

[ A.R. Sanderson, et.al 2006 ]

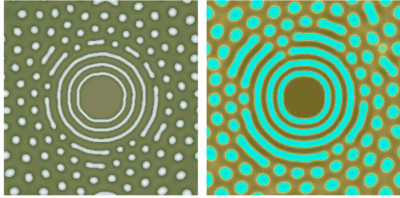


Figure 12: Using radially gradient growth factor,  $\beta = f(r) \pm 0.1\%$  and reaction rate,  $s = g(r)$  to form a circular stripe-spot pattern.



Figure 14: Blue Spotted Puffer Fish (*Arothron caeruleopunctatus*) found in the Indo-Pacific region. Image courtesy of Jeffrey Jeffords/divegallery.com.

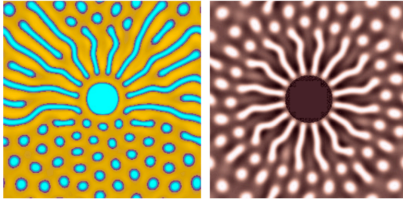


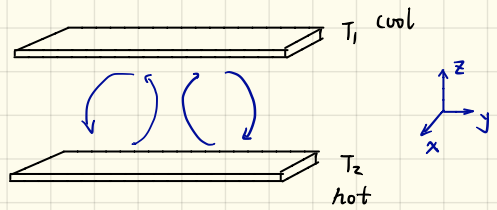
Figure 15: Using radially gradient growth factor,  $\beta = h(\theta) \pm 0.1\%$  and reaction rate,  $s = g(r)$  to form a radial stripe-spot pattern.



Figure 17: Map Toby Puffer Fish (*Arothron mappa*) found in the Indo-West Pacific region. Image courtesy of Massimo Boyer/edge-of-reef.com.

# Rayleigh-Benard convection

conduction only  $\rightarrow$  convection  
 $\rightarrow$  unstable



$|T_0 - T_H|$  critical value?

+ Governing equation,

Cont.  $\frac{d(\rho v)}{dx} + \frac{d(\rho v)}{dy} = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$

Mom.  $\left\{ \begin{aligned} \rho \left( \frac{dv_x}{dt} + u \frac{dv_x}{dy} + v \frac{dv_x}{dz} \right) &= - \frac{dP}{dy} + \mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v_x}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_x}{\partial z^2} \right) + \rho g_y \\ \rho \left( \frac{dv_y}{dt} + u \frac{dv_y}{dy} + v \frac{dv_y}{dz} \right) &= - \frac{dP}{dz} + \mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v_y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_y}{\partial z^2} \right) + \rho g_z \end{aligned} \right.$

↑ gravitational force vertical

Tem.  $\rho C_p \left( \frac{dT}{dt} + u \frac{dT}{dy} + v \frac{dT}{dz} \right) = k \left( \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \right)$

+ To find steady state (stationary fluid)

+ Boussinesq approximation

$\rho(T)$  only in "pg" term. Assume:  $\rho = \rho_0 [1 - \alpha(T - T_1)]$ ,  $\alpha > 0$   
 const for other terms

+ stationary fluid.  $u=0, v=0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{dP}{dy} = 0 \\ \frac{dP}{dz} = -g\rho_0 [1 - \alpha(T - T_1)] \\ k \frac{dT}{dz^2} = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} u_0 = 0 \\ T_0 = T_1 - \frac{T_2 - T_1}{H} \\ P_0 = P_2 - g\rho_2 (z + \alpha\beta \frac{z^2}{2}) \end{cases}$$

+ Add small perturbation, linearize equation

$$\begin{cases} \nabla \cdot \vec{u}_p = 0 \\ \frac{d\vec{u}_p}{dt} = -\frac{1}{\rho_2} \nabla p_p + \alpha g T_p \vec{k} + \nu \nabla^2 \vec{u}_p \\ \frac{dT_p}{dt} - \beta v_p = \kappa \nabla^2 T_p \end{cases}$$

+ Dimensionless equation

$$\begin{cases} \nabla \cdot \vec{u} = 0 \\ \left( \frac{d}{dt} + \vec{u} \cdot \nabla \right) \vec{u} = -\nabla p + Ra Pr \vec{k} + Pr \nabla^2 \vec{u} \\ \left( \frac{d}{dt} + \vec{u} \cdot \nabla \right) T = \vec{k} \cdot \vec{u} + \nabla^2 T \end{cases}$$

scaling:  
 length  $H$   
 time  $\frac{\kappa}{H^2}$   
 temperature:  $T_2 - T_1$

Rayleigh number  $Ra = \frac{\alpha g (T_2 - T_1) H^3}{\kappa \nu}$

Prandtl number  $Pr = \frac{\nu}{\kappa}$

Boundary conditions:  $v_p(z=0, z=H) = 0$ ,  $T_p(z=0, z=H) = 0$

stress free:  $v_p = 0$ ,  $\frac{d^2 v_p}{dz^2} = 0$ ,  $\frac{d^2 T_p}{dz^2} = 0$

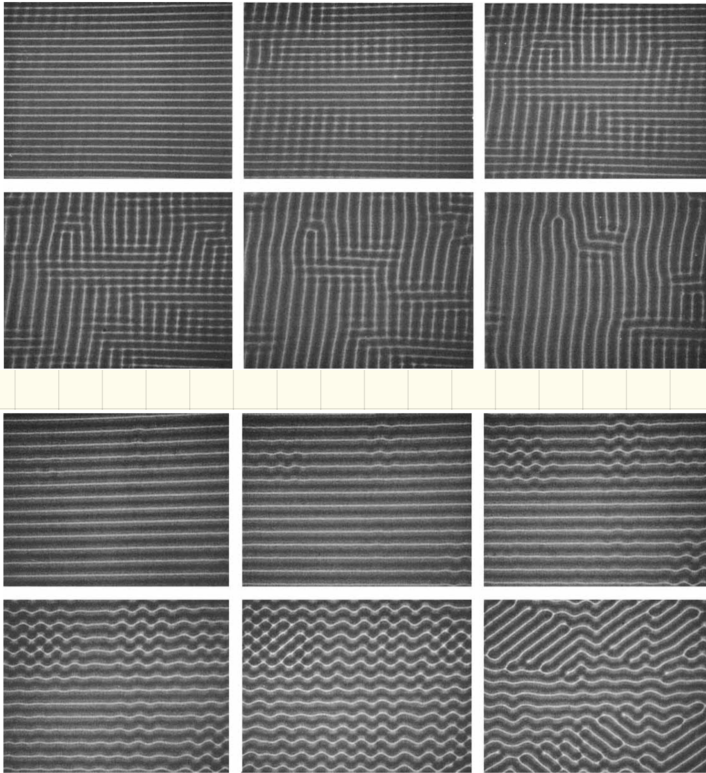
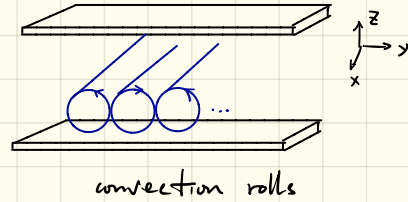
→ Eigenvalue problem → eigenvalues → unstable state.  
(find critical situation)

[ F. H. Busse and J. A. Whitehead 1971 ]

$z = \frac{1}{2} H$

$Ra$  as control parameter

Find critical  $Ra_c = 1708$

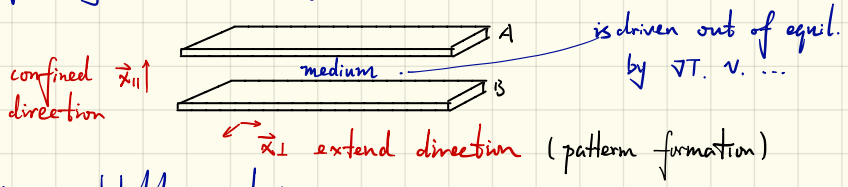


cross-roll  
instability  
 $Ra = 3000$



zigzag  
instability  
 $Ra = 3600$

Pattern - forming : (by instability)



+ For linear stability analysis:

- ① eliminate physical lateral boundaries (ex: set infinite boundary or periodic boundary)
- ② the system translationally invariant in extended directions.
- ③ identify stationary uniform nonequil. states as starting point for pattern formation.

+ Linearized problem (evolution of tiny perturbation of uniform state)  
→  $\exp(\sigma_{\vec{q}} t) \exp(i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{x}_{\perp})$

$\vec{q}$ : wave vector  
 $\sigma_{\vec{q}}$ : growth rate of perturbation (complex value) ( $\vec{q}$ -dependent)

→ { linearly stable:  $\text{Re}(\sigma_{\vec{q}}) < 0$ , all small perturbation decays to zero  
linearly unstable:  $\text{Re}(\sigma_{\vec{q}})$  first becomes positive at critical parameter value.

+ Linear instability:

Critical wave vector:  $\text{Max}[\text{Re}(\sigma_{\vec{q}})]$  first becomes positive.

Critical wave number magnitude  $q_c$  (length scale of growing perturb.  $\frac{2\pi}{q_c}$ )

Critical frequency  $\omega_c = -\text{Im}(\sigma_{q_c})$  [ $e^{i(q_c x - \omega_c t)}$ ]

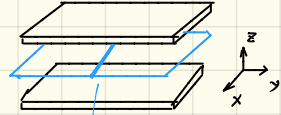
{ if  $\omega_c = 0$ : stationary type of instability  
if  $\omega_c \neq 0$ : oscillatory " " "



# One dimensional Swift-Hohenberg equation [Swift and Hohenberg 1977]

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x,t) = (r-1)u - 2\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^4 u}{\partial x^4} - u^3$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x,t) = ru - \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + 1\right)^2 u - u^3$$



$r$ : control parameter (ex: Rayleigh number  $R$ )  
 $x$ : extended coordinate

+ One solution:  $u=0$ : zero velocity conduction state  
 Critical value  $r_c$  when  $u=0$  unstable (perturb  $\rightarrow$  grow exp)

## Linear stability analysis

$u_p(x,t) = u(x,t) - u_b$ , arbitrary nearby solution  $u(x,t)$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial u_p}{\partial t} = \left\{ (r-1)[u_p + u_b] - 2\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}[u_p + u_b] - \frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^4}[u_p + u_b] - [u_p + u_b]^3 \right\}$$

$$- \left\{ (r-1)u_b - 2\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}u_b - \frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^4}u_b - u_b^3 \right\}$$

$$= (r-1)u_p - 2\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}u_p - \frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^4}u_p - \cancel{u_p^3} + \cancel{3u_p^2 u_b} - \cancel{3u_p u_b^2}$$

$u_b = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial u_p}{\partial t} = \left[ r-1 - 2\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^4} \right] u_p \quad \text{--- linear}$$

infinitesimal perturb.

$\Delta$  Assume particular solution:  $u_p(x,t) = A e^{\sigma t} e^{\alpha x}$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma = r - 1 - 2\alpha^2 - \alpha^4$$

$\alpha$ : ① if infinitely large boundary:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{consistent with uniform } u_b \text{ in space} \\ \text{not consistent with } u_p, \text{ unless } \alpha = i \text{ imag.} \end{array} \right.$

② if periodic boundary:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{consistent with } u_b \\ u_p(x,t) = u_p(x+L,t) \\ e^{\alpha x} = e^{\alpha(x+L)} \end{array} \right.$

$$\rightarrow e^{\alpha L} = 1, \alpha L = 2\pi i m \quad (\text{so that } \alpha \text{ pure imag.})$$

$\alpha = qi$ , restrict  $q$  to infinitely quantized values:

$$q = m \left( \frac{2\pi}{L} \right), m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$\Delta$  Thus, ① & ② consistent with  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{uniform base } u_b \\ \text{single exponential mode. } u_p = A e^{\sigma t} e^{iqx} \end{array} \right.$

Linearized evolution equation can be solved by a single exp. mode.

△ growth rate:  $\sigma_q = r - (q^2 - 1)^2$  small-amp spatially periodic perturb  $\alpha = q_i$  will grow/decay exp. in time with  $\sigma_q$ .

△ General solution  $\begin{cases} u_p(x, t) = \sum_q C_q e^{\sigma_q t} e^{iqx} & \text{periodic Boundary} \\ u_p(x, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} C_q e^{\sigma_q t} e^{iqx} dq & \text{infinite Boundary} \end{cases}$

→  $\max \operatorname{Re}(\sigma_q) < 0$  ( $r < 0$ ) ⇒  $u_b = 0$  linearly stable

### + Growth rates and instability diagram.

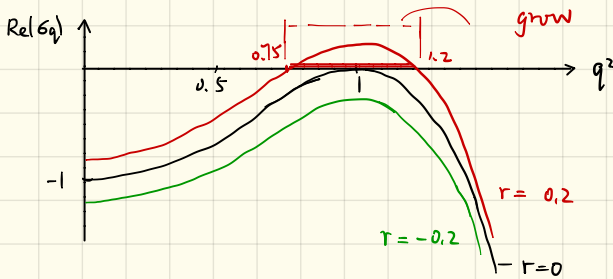
want to determine when  $\max_q \operatorname{Re}(\sigma_q)$  change from (-) to (+)

$$\sigma_q = r - (q^2 - 1)^2 \Rightarrow \max_q \operatorname{Re}(\sigma_q) \text{ when } q = 1$$

△  $r < 0$  : linearly stable

$r > 0$  : linearly unstable

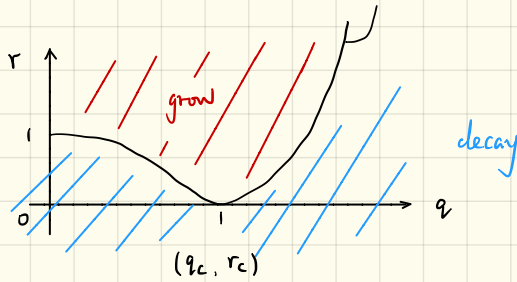
$r_c = 0$  :  $\operatorname{Re}(\sigma_q)$  first attain positive  $q_c = 1$



△ if initial  $u_p$  is small-amp. noise all Fourier coefficients non zero.  
→ cellular pattern will start to grow

characteristic scale of perturbation:  $\frac{2\pi}{q_c}$

△ neutral stability curve  $[\text{Re}(G_i) = 0, r = (q^2 - 1)^2]$



△ Thus,  $r$  just larger than  $r_c$ , expect cellular pattern will grow with wave num.  $q_c$

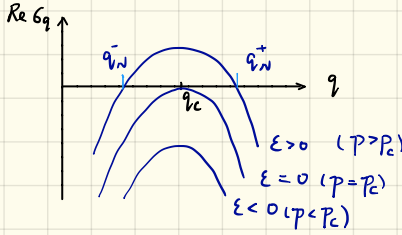
+ Steps of linear stability analysis

1. Obtain explicit evolution eq.
2. dimensionless equation
3. Replace boundary with infinite / periodic
4. find one time-independent uniform state  $u_b$  (with respect to  $x$  extend)
5. Linearize eq. about  $u_b$ , infinitesimal  $u_p$ .  
Coefficients not depend on  $x$  nor time
6. use a particular solution  $u_p = u_{\vec{q}}(x_{\perp}) e^{G_{\vec{q}} t} e^{i \vec{q} \cdot \vec{x}_{\perp}}$  solve linearized eq.  
→ wave vector dependent growth rate  $G_{\vec{q}}$
7. Analyze  $\text{Re}(G_{\vec{q}}) - \vec{q}$
8. Map out linear stability of uniform states as function of parameters.  
by repeating (4.-7) for different parameter vector  $\vec{p}$  ;  
identify  $\vec{p}_c$   $\max \text{Re}(G_{\vec{q}}) = 0$

# Classification of linear instabilities

$\Delta$  control parameter  $p$   $\left[ \begin{array}{l} r \text{ in Swift-Hohenberg eq.} \\ Ra \text{ in Rayleigh-Benard convection} \end{array} \right]$   
 reduced control parameter  $\varepsilon = \frac{p-p_c}{p_c}$

$\Delta$  Type I instability [instability occurs  $p > p_c$ ]

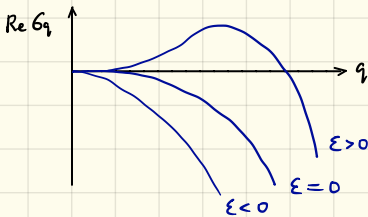


unstable to perturbation over a band of wave numbers  $q_w^- < q < q_w^+$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{expand at } q_c, G_{qc} \approx \frac{1}{\tau_0} \varepsilon \\ \text{expand max } \text{Re}(G_q) = -\frac{\gamma_0^2}{\tau_0} (q - q_c)^2 \end{array} \right.$   
 $\rightarrow G_q \approx \frac{1}{\tau_0} \left[ \varepsilon - \gamma_0^2 (q - q_c)^2 \right]$

- { Type I-s : stationary instability (standing wave)
- { Type I-o : oscillatory instability (traveling wave)

$\Delta$  Type II instability [growth rate is always zero at  $q=0$ ]



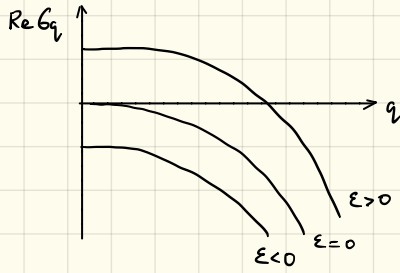
$\text{Re } G_q \approx D \left( \varepsilon q^2 - \frac{1}{2} \gamma_0^2 q^4 \right)$

$D$ : dimension of diffusion const.

characteristic length  $\frac{2\pi}{q_c} \rightarrow \infty$  when  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$

- { Type II-s
- { Type II-o

Δ Type III instability (max  $\text{Re } G_q$  at  $q=0$ )



$$\text{Re } G_q \approx \frac{1}{\tau_0} [\epsilon - \gamma_0^2 q^2]$$

→ spacial structure on a large length scale

{ Type III - s  
Type III - 0

## Non-linear states

- Nonlinearities in the evolution equations generates spacial harmonics.
- - leads to  $\begin{cases} \text{steady spacially periodic sol. for stationary inst.} \\ \text{nonlinear oscillation or waves for oscillatory inst.} \end{cases}$

### + Nonlinear saturation

Saturated nonlinear steady state:

Nonlinearity can cause a time-independent state such that nonlinear terms have same magnitude as linear terms and balance them.

- if  $p$  slightly above  $p_c$ , small nonlinear term sufficient to balance small linear growth rate.

Thus, stationary solution grows as  $p$  increase

Supercritical bifurcation (forward bifurcation) second-order transition.

- if nonlinear term enhance growth rate initially.

even though  $p$  slightly larger than  $p_c$ , disturbance will grow to a large value.

Subcritical bifurcation (backward bifurcation) first-order transition.

### + Complex amplitude

- A growing solution:  $\vec{u}(\vec{x}, t) = A(t) e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{x}_\perp} \vec{u}_q + A^* e^{-i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{x}_\perp} \vec{u}_q^*$

$\begin{cases} A(t): \text{Time dependent amplitude of perturbation} \\ \vec{u}_q^*, A(t)^*: \text{complex conjugates} \end{cases}$

- $A(t)$  is complex,  $\rightarrow |A| e^{i\phi}$

$$\rightarrow \text{perturbation: } A(t) e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{x}_\perp} = |A| e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{x}_\perp + i\phi} = |A| e^{i\vec{q} \cdot (\vec{x}_\perp + \frac{\vec{q}_\perp}{q} \phi)}$$

phase: position of the pattern.

(Ex: Stationary instability:  $\frac{dA}{dt} = \sigma A$ )

$$\rightarrow \frac{d|A|}{dt} e^{i\phi} + |A| e^{i\phi} \frac{d\phi}{dt} i = \sigma |A| e^{i\phi} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{d|A|}{dt} = \sigma |A| \\ \frac{d\phi}{dt} = 0 \end{cases}$$

# Nonlinear stripe state of Swift-Hohenberg equation

△ 1D Swift-Hohenberg equation:  $\frac{du}{dt} = ru - (\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + 1)^2 u - u^3$

✓ growth rate:  $G_q = r^2 - (q-1)^2$

△  $q=1 = q_c$ ,  $G_q = r$  Max Re( $G_q$ ) point.

→ grow mode:  $e^{rt} \cos x$

Assume steady saturated solution:  $u = a_1 \cos x$  ✓

$$[\cos^3 x = \frac{3}{4} \cos x + \frac{1}{4} \cos(3x)]$$

$$\rightarrow 0 = (ra_1 - \frac{3}{4}a_1^3) \cos x - \frac{1}{4}a_1^3 \cos(3x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} ra_1 - \frac{3}{4}a_1^3 = 0 \\ \frac{1}{4}a_1^3 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 = 0, \pm \sqrt{\frac{4}{3}r} \\ a_1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

⇒ no balance for nonlinear term ✓

→ Assume:  $a_1 \cos x + a_3 \cos(3x)$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \cos^5 x &= \frac{1}{16} [10 \cos x + 5 \cos(3x) + \cos(5x)] \\ \cos^7 x &= \frac{1}{64} [35 \cos x + 21 \cos(3x) + 7 \cos(5x) + \cos(7x)] \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\rightarrow 0 = \begin{aligned} & (ra_1 - \frac{3}{4}a_1^3 + \frac{3}{4}a_1^2 a_3 + \frac{3}{2}a_1 a_3^2) \cos x \\ & + (ra_3 - 64a_3 - \frac{1}{4}a_1^3 + \frac{3}{2}a_1^2 a_3) \cos(3x) \\ & + (\frac{3}{4}a_1^2 a_3 + \frac{3}{4}a_1 a_3^2) \cos(5x) \\ & + \frac{3}{4}a_1 a_3^2 \cos(7x) \\ & + \frac{1}{4}a_3^3 \cos(9x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 \sim O(r^{1/2}) \\ a_3 \sim O(r^{3/2}) \\ a_1^2 a_3 \sim O(r^{5/2}) \\ a_1 a_3^2 \sim O(r^{7/2}) \end{cases}$$

→ Need to add more for  $\cos(5x)$ ,  $\cos(7x)$ ,  $\cos(9x)$

→ solution:  $u = \sum_{n=\text{odd}} a_n \cos(nx)$ ,  $a_n \sim O(r^{n/2})$  for small  $r$

$$\text{ex: } u = \pm \sqrt{\frac{4}{3}r} \cos x + O(r^{3/2}) \cos(3x)$$

pattern grows in magnitude from  $r^{1/2}$

△ numerical: Galerkin method, truncate to finite number of basis.

# Stability balloons

△ what analyze when  $\vec{u}_b$  is spacially periodic in  $\vec{x}_\perp$

[Felix Bloch . 1928. Solve linear evolution equations with spacially periodic coefficients]

For perturbation, solution:  $e^{\sigma(\vec{q}, \vec{q})t} e^{i\vec{q}\vec{x}_\perp} \vec{u}_{\vec{q}}(\vec{x}_\perp, \vec{x}_\parallel)$  [Bloch state]

$\vec{q}$ : wave vector  
 $\vec{u}_{\vec{q}}$  has same periodicity as base  $\vec{u}_b(\vec{q})$

In 2D:

$\left\| \begin{array}{c} | \\ | \\ | \\ | \end{array} \right\| \xrightarrow{\uparrow} x(\vec{q})$  ✓  $\vec{q}(Q_x, Q_y)$ ,  $\vec{u}_{\vec{q}}$  periodic in  $x$ , period  $\frac{2\pi}{q}$

+ Want to know if  $\text{Re}(\sigma(\vec{q}, \vec{q}))$  becomes positive.

$\vec{u}_{\vec{q}}$  is periodic in  $x$  with  $q \rightarrow e^{imqx} \vec{u}_{\vec{q}}$  (any integer  $m$ )

+ Set range.  $-\frac{q}{2} < Q_x < \frac{q}{2} \rightarrow$  define  $\vec{u}_{\vec{q}} : e^{iQ_x x} \vec{u}_{\vec{q}}$

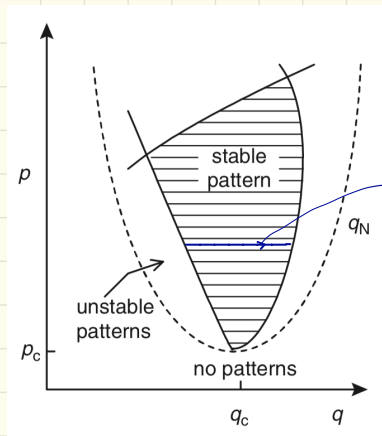
$\vec{q}$  is zero: perturbation doesn't change periodicity of pattern  
 $Q_x = \frac{q}{2}$  (on the boundary): spatial period in  $x$  is doubled.  
 instability may occur at longwave length  $\vec{q} = 0$

+ Conceptual: identify instability type.

$\rightarrow$  each  $q, p$  st nonlinear saturated stripe state exist

$\rightarrow$  find  $\max \text{Re}[\sigma(\vec{q}; q)]$  over all  $\vec{q}$

$\rightarrow$  find  $\max_{\vec{q}} \text{Re}[\sigma(\vec{q}; q)] < 0$



slowly growing domain  
 fixed number of stripes  
 (compressed / stretched)  
 eg: stripes of fish  
 grow bigger as age



For stripe state (Eckhaus instability):

long wavelength longitudinal perturb. ( $q_x$  small,  $q_y = 0$ )

zigzag instability:

long wavelength transverse distortion ( $q_x = 0$ ,  $q_y$  small)

Zigzag instability for Swift-Hohenberg equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = ru - \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + 1 \right)^2 u - u^3$$

+ stationary nonlinear stripe solution:  $u_q(x) \approx a_q \cos(qx)$

$$\rightarrow a_q^2 = \frac{4}{3} [r - (q^2 - 1)^2]$$

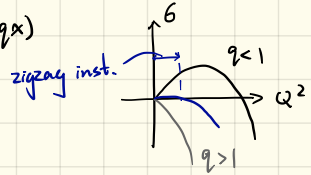
$$\rightarrow \text{stripe exists: } \frac{4}{3} [r - (q^2 - 1)^2] \geq 0$$

$$\rightarrow \sqrt{1 - \sqrt{r}} \leq q \leq \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{r}}$$

transverse perturbation  $\vec{u} = a \vec{y}$

$$\rightarrow \text{perturbation: } \begin{cases} \text{even: } \delta u = e^{\delta t} e^{i q y} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \cos(n q x) \\ \text{odd: } \delta u = e^{\delta t} e^{i q y} \sum S_n \sin(n q x) \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \delta = 2(1 - q^2) q^2 - q^4 \text{ for odd} \\ = q^2 [2(1 - q^2) - q^2]$$



+ If  $q < 1$ ,  $\delta > 0$  instability

stripes with  $q < 1$  are unstable to odd transverse perturb.

If  $q \geq 1$ ,  $\delta < 0$  stability

stripes with  $q \geq 1$  are stable to some perturb.

+ Zigzag instability: ( $q < 1$ ) long wavelength small  $q$ .



Limitation of stability balloon:

- Idealized infinity boundary.
- Tiny perturbation

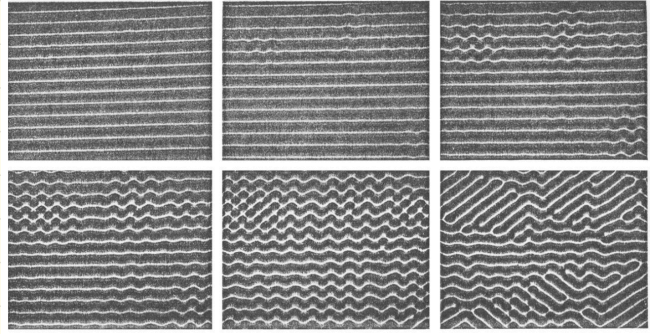
# Bass balloon for Rayleigh-Benard convection

[ Fritz Bass, 1965 ] [ Galerkin method ]

Prandtl number  $\sigma = 1 \times 10^2$

$$Ra \approx 2Rc$$

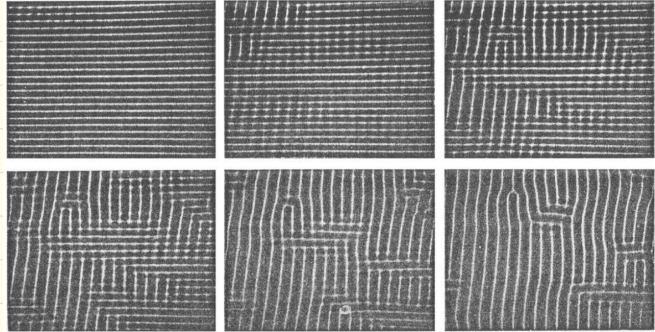
$$\text{initial } q = 2.8$$



The stripes are unstable to long wavelength transverse zigzag instability.

$$Ra \approx 1.7Rc$$

$$q = 1.64$$



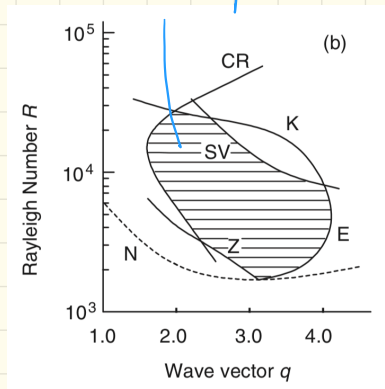
unstable to cross-roll instability

Stability balloon for stripes state [M. Cross and H. Greenside, 2009]

Prandtl number = 7.

Temperature of water =  $40^{\circ}\text{C}$

stable pattern



- CR: cross-roll (stationary, long wavelength, transverse)
- K: knot (stationary, finite wavelength, transverse)
- SV: skew-varicose (stationary, long wavelength, skew)
- Z: Zigzag (stationary, long wavelength, transverse)
- E: Eckhaus (stationary, long wavelength, longitudinal)

[F. H. Busse 1978]

