

Topological states in a swarmalator model

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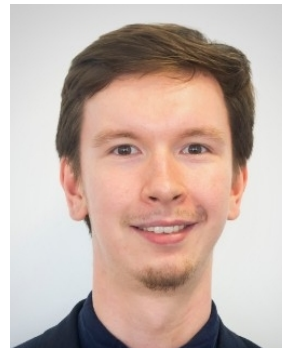
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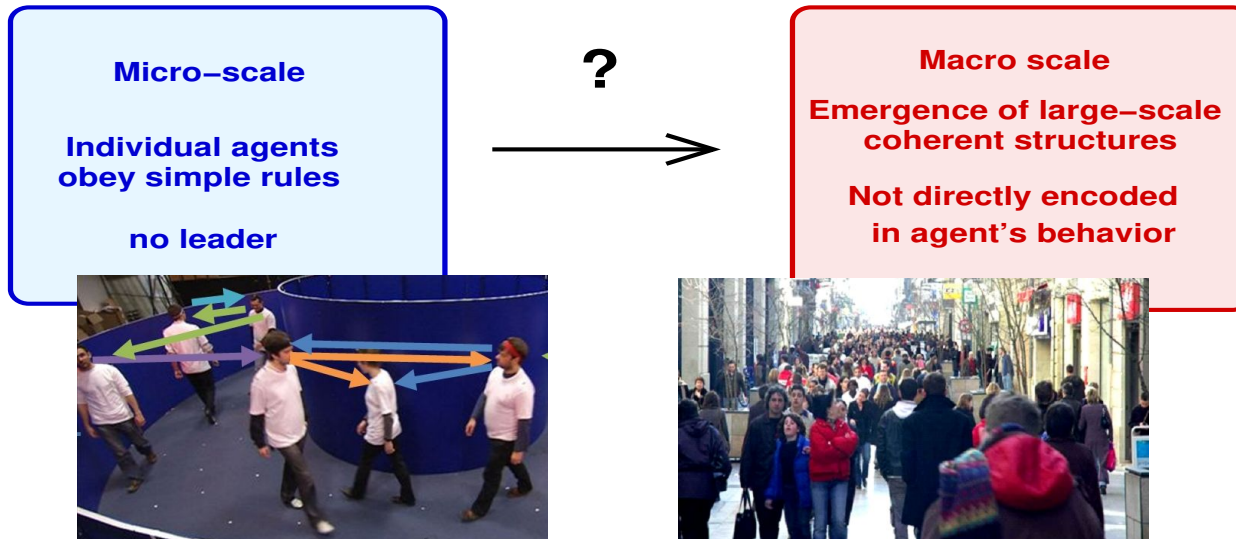
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[PD, A. Diez, A. Walczak, Analysis and Applications, 2022]

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1. Presentation



Questions:

Link between **micro-scale geometry**
and **large-scale structures**

Topology of collective structures

Object of study: **swarmalators**

Methodology: dual use of **microscopic** models
and their **macroscopic** counterparts



Self-propelled particles \Rightarrow Speed = constant ($= c_0$)

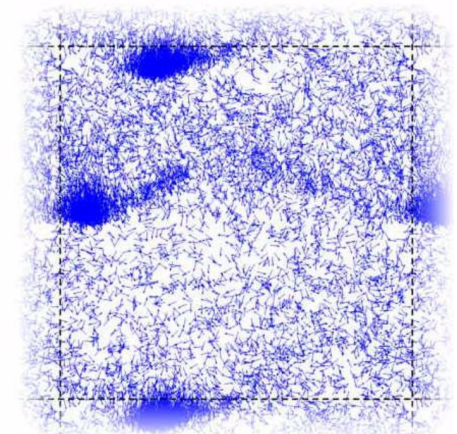
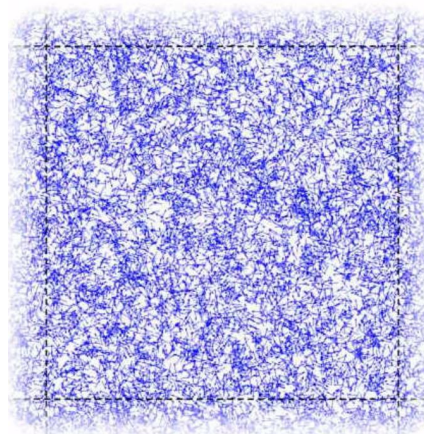
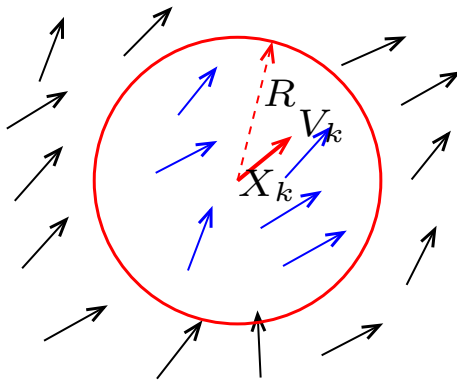
Align with their neighbors up to some noise

$$\dot{X}_k(t) = c_0 V_k$$

$$dV_k(t) = P_{V_k^\perp} \circ (\nu \bar{V}_k dt + \sqrt{2D} dB_t^k)$$

$$\bar{V}_k = \frac{J_k}{|J_k|}, \quad J_k = \sum_{j, |X_j - X_k| \leq R} V_j$$

$P_{V^\perp} = \text{Id} - V \otimes V = \text{orth. proj. on } \{V\}^\perp$ $\circ = \text{Stratonovitch}$



small ν

large ν

Simulations by A. Frouvelle

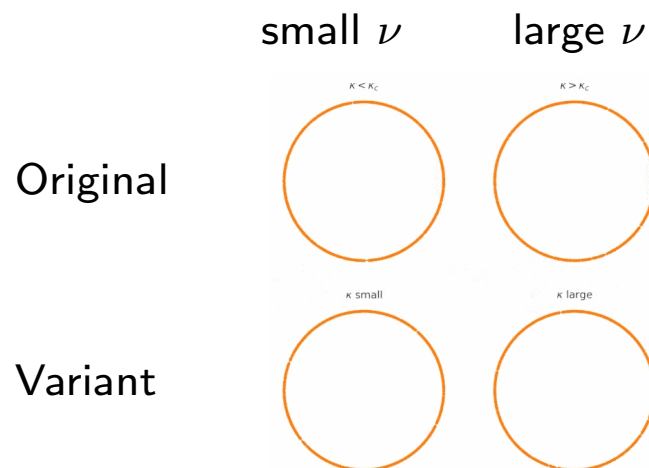
Model describing systems of oscillators which synchronize

Original model (Kuramoto)

$$d\varphi_k(t) = -\frac{\nu}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \sin(\varphi_k - \varphi_j) + \sqrt{2D} dB_t^k$$

Variant inspired by the Vicsek model

$$d\varphi_k(t) = -\nu \sin(\varphi_k - \bar{\varphi}(t)) + \sqrt{2D} dB_t^k, \quad \bar{\varphi}(t) = \arg\left(\sum_{j=1}^N e^{i\varphi_j}\right)$$



[O'Keefe, Hong, Strogatz, Oscillators that sync and swarm, Nature Comm. 2017]

New swarmalator model with original features

no force reciprocity → pursuit behavior

second-order model

noise in velocity and phase

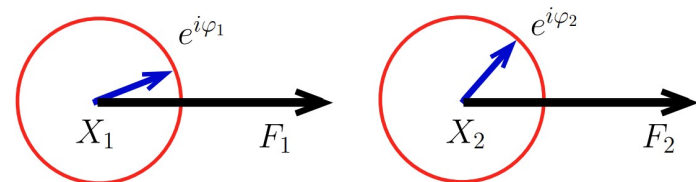
$$\dot{X}_k(t) = c_0 V_k - \gamma \nabla_x W(X_k, \varphi_k)$$

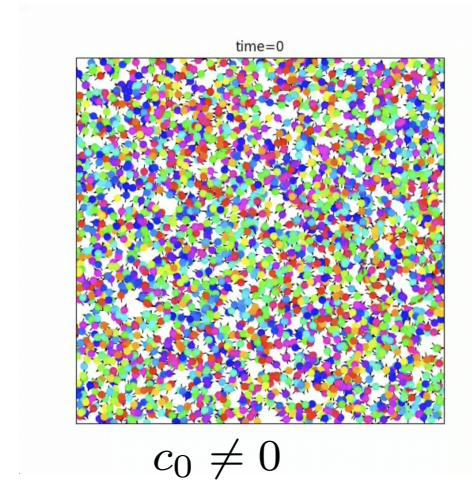
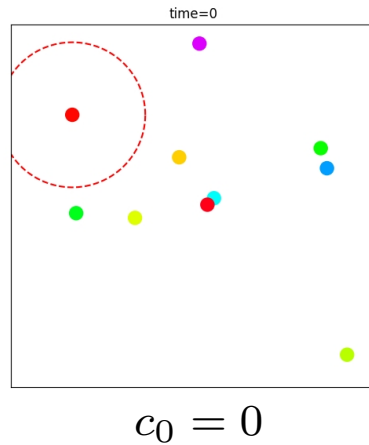
$$dV_k(t) = P_{V_k^\perp} \circ (\nu \bar{V}_k dt + \sqrt{2D} dB_t^k)$$

$$d\varphi_k(t) = -\nu' \sin(\varphi_k - \bar{\varphi}(t)) + \sqrt{2D'} dB_t^k$$

Position-phase coupling through potential W

$$W(x, \varphi) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N K(|x - X_j|) \sin(\varphi_j - \varphi)$$





Large literature: cf review [O'Keefe & Bettstetter, 2019]

Applications to biology:

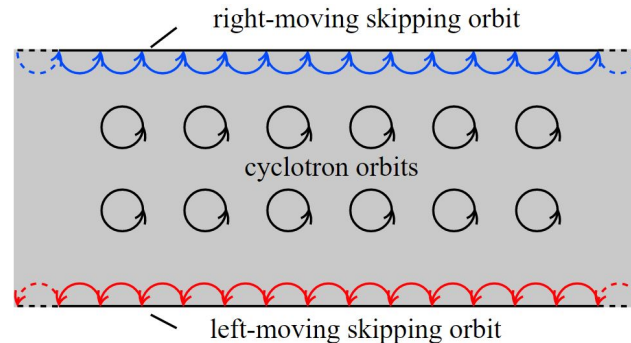
Microswimmers (nematodes or sperm) [Peshkov et al, 2019]

Cellular interactions with internal state [Japon et al, 2021]



Nematode swarm from [Peshkov et al, 2019]

Quantum Hall effect (Klaus von Klitzing, NP 1985)



Conducting (chiral) **edge states** have **non-trivial topology**

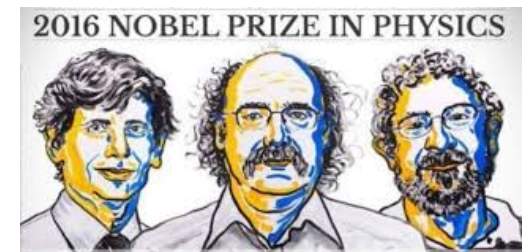
They are robust against perturbations

Breaking them requires a “**topological phase transition**”

Topological insulators

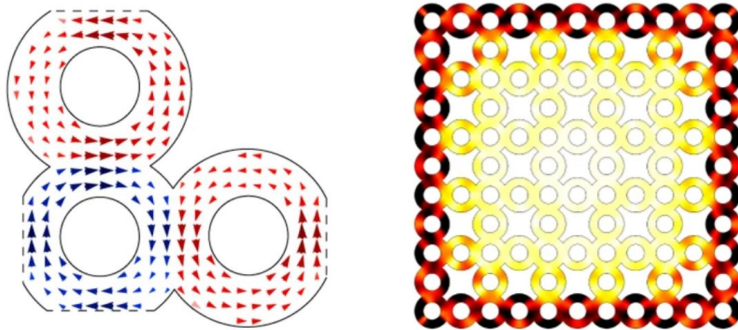
Thouless, Haldane, Kosterlitz, NP 2016

Quantum computations, Qubits, ...



Vicsek on a sphere (Marchetti et al, Phys. Rev. X 2017)

Vicsek in a lattice of rings (Bartolo et al, Nature Phys. 2017, Sone & Ashida, Phys. Rev. Lett. 2019)



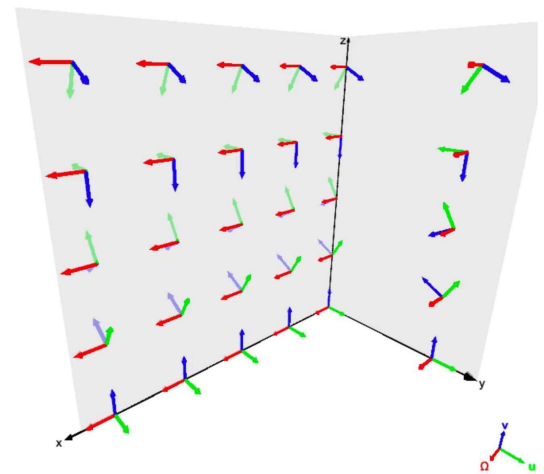
“spatial domain engineering”

Goal: new topological states based on internal degrees of freedom

Previous example: swarming rigid bodies

[D., Diez, Na, SIADS 2022]

Motivation: does topological protection contribute to robustness of living systems?



2. Macroscopic model

$f(x, v, \varphi, t)$ **distribution function** $v \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$, $\varphi \in \mathbb{R}/(2\pi\mathbb{Z})$

$f(x, v, \varphi, t) dx dv d\varphi =$ **number of particles** in $dx dv d\varphi$ at t

satisfies **mean-field kinetic equation**

$$\partial_t f^\varepsilon + \nabla_x \cdot [(v - \gamma \nabla_x U_{f^\varepsilon}) f^\varepsilon] = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} Q(f^\varepsilon)$$

$$Q(f) = D \nabla_v \cdot [-k P_{v^\perp} u_f f + \nabla_v f] + D' \partial_\varphi [-k' \sin(\alpha_f - \varphi) f + \partial_\varphi f]$$

with

$$u_f = \frac{j_f}{|j_f|}, \quad j_f = \int f v dv d\varphi$$

$$\alpha_f = \frac{\ell_f}{|\ell_f|}, \quad \ell_f = \int f e^{i\varphi} dv d\varphi$$

$$U_f = |\ell_f| \sin(\alpha_f - \varphi), \quad k = \frac{\nu}{D}, \quad k' = \frac{\nu'}{D'}$$

Solutions of $Q(f) = 0$ given by **von Mises distribution**

$$f_{\text{eq}} = \rho M_u(v) N_\alpha(\varphi)$$

$$M_u(v) \sim e^{kv \cdot u}, \quad N_\alpha(\varphi) \sim e^{k' \cos(\varphi - \alpha)}$$

$$(\rho, u, \alpha) \text{ arbitrary in } [0, \infty) \times \mathbb{S}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{R}/(2\pi\mathbb{Z})$$

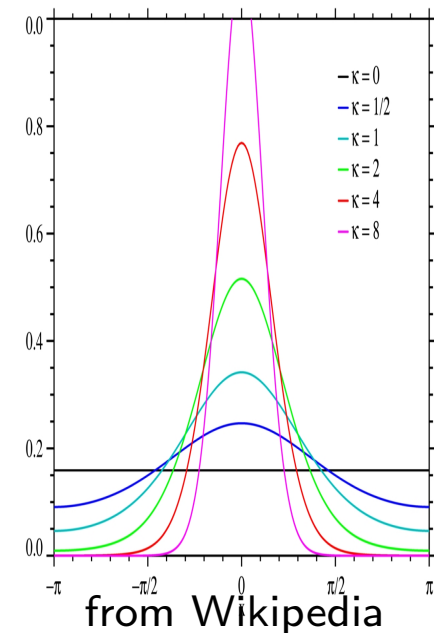
When $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, $f^\varepsilon \rightarrow f_{\text{eq}}$ with $(\rho, u, \alpha)(x, t)$:

$\rho(x, t) \geq 0$: mean density

$u(x, t) \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$: mean direction of motion

$\alpha(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}/(2\pi\mathbb{Z})$: mean phase

Eq. satisfied by $(\rho, u, \alpha) \equiv$ **macroscopic eqs.**



Swarmalator hydrodynamics:

$$\partial_t \rho + \nabla_x \cdot [\rho(c_1 u + b\rho \nabla_x \alpha)] = 0$$

$$\partial_t u + [(c_2 u + b\rho \nabla_x \alpha) \cdot \nabla_x] u + \Theta P_{u^\perp} \nabla_x \log \rho = 0$$

$$\rho \left(\partial_t \alpha + [(c_1 u + b'\rho \nabla_x \alpha) \cdot \nabla_x] \alpha \right) - \Theta' \nabla_x \cdot (\rho \nabla_x \rho) = 0$$

Coefficients given **explicitly** in terms of those of **kinetic model**

Derivation not straightforward due to **lack of conservations**

Generalized Collision Invariant [D. Motsch, M3AS 2008]

No noise in phase eq. $k' \rightarrow \infty$: \Rightarrow phase eq. simplifies

$$\partial_t \alpha + [(c_1 u + b\rho \nabla_x \alpha) \cdot \nabla_x] \alpha = 0$$

Introducing $z = \nabla_x \alpha$, System equivalent to

$$\partial_t \rho + \nabla_x \cdot [\rho(c_1 u + b\rho z)] = 0$$

$$\partial_t u + [(c_2 u + b\rho z) \cdot \nabla_x] u + \Theta P_{u^\perp} \nabla_x \log \rho = 0$$

$$\partial_t z + \nabla_x [(c_1 u + b\rho z) \cdot z] = 0$$

$$\nabla_x \wedge z = 0$$

Uniform state (ρ_0, u_0, z_0) is a **solution**

Corresponds to a **travelling-wave in phase**

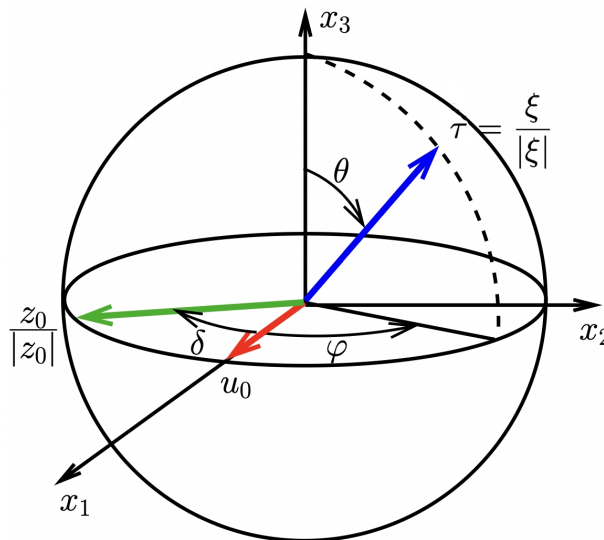
$$\alpha(x, t) = z_0 \cdot x - (c_1 u_0 + b\rho_0 z_0) \cdot z_0 t$$

Linearize about (ρ_0, u_0, z_0)

Hyperbolicity \approx **stability** in Fourier variable ξ

Theorem:

- (i) if $z_0 = 0$ or $z_0 \parallel u_0$ then **hyperbolic**
- (ii) For $\rho_0 |b| |z_0|$ either **small or large** and for **some values** of $\delta = \angle(u_0, z_0)$ then **not hyperbolic**



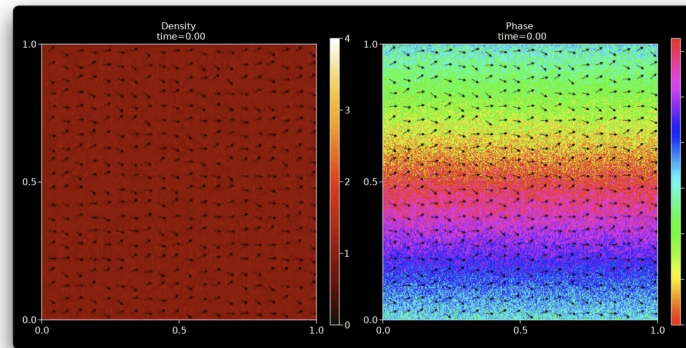
Original system (with noise in phase eq.) on 2-d unit torus \mathbb{T}^2

Proposition: given $(p, m) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$, $\alpha_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, $U = (U_1, U_2) \in \mathbb{S}^1$. Then:

$$\rho = 1 \quad u = U \quad \alpha = 2\pi(px_1 + mx_2) - \lambda t + \alpha_0$$

is a travelling-wave solution: with travelling-wave speed

$$\lambda = 2\pi c_1(pU_1 + mU_2) + 4\pi^2 b'(p^2 + m^2)$$



Example with
 $(p, m) = (0, 1)$
 $U = (1, 0)$

Topological state:

$e^{i\alpha}$ makes a complete turn when x_2 goes from 0 to 1

(p, m) is the **topological index** of the solution

3. Numerical results

1. Validate hydro model against particle model
2. Check stability of topological states in particle model
3. Check stability of topological states in hydro model

Numerical method for particle model:

GPU simulations in Python using the SiSyPHE library developed by A. Diez [Diez, J Open Source Software 2021]

Numerical method for hydro model:

relaxation approximation by conservative hyperbolic system [Motsch & Navoret, Mult. Model. Simul. 2011]

Dimensional splitting and HLLE scheme; code in Julia

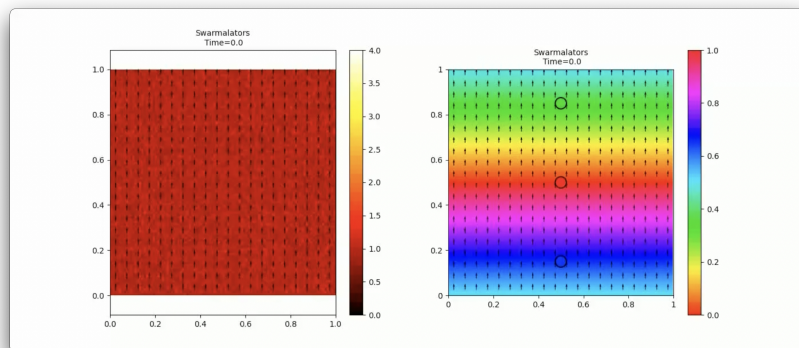
Both codes available at: <https://github.com/antoinediez>

Use particle simulation in the **hydro regime**

$$R \ll 1, \quad \nu, \nu', \sigma, \sigma', \gamma, N \gg 1, \quad k, k' \sim 1$$

Use doubly-periodic travelling-wave

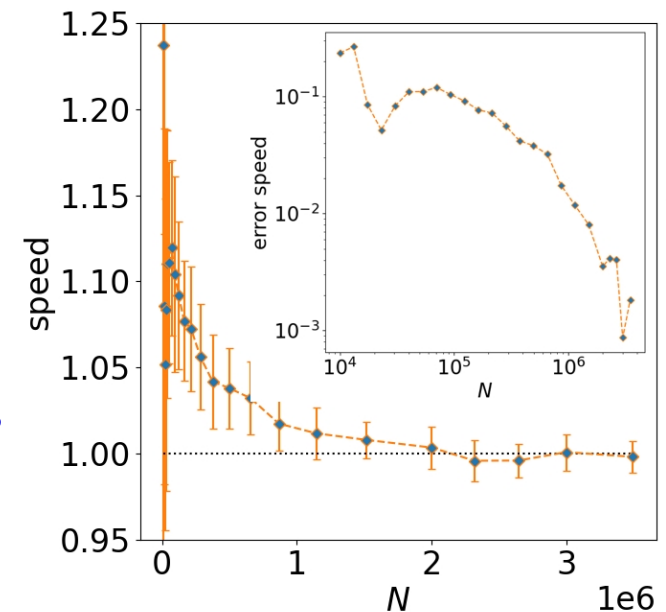
anti-aligned: phase-force and self-propulsion velocity **opposite**



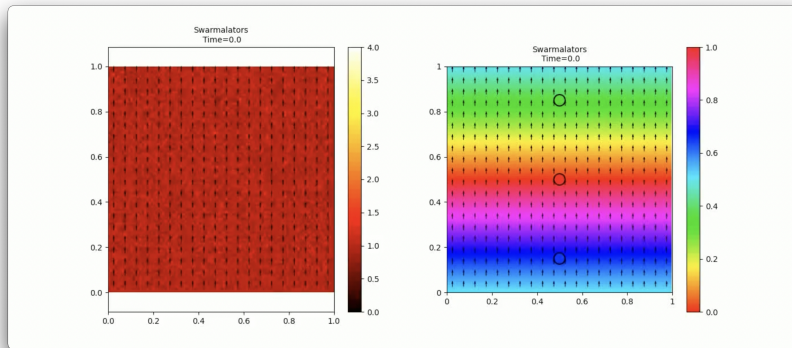
$$(p, m) = (0, 1)$$

$$U = (0, 1)$$

Compare travelling-wave speeds



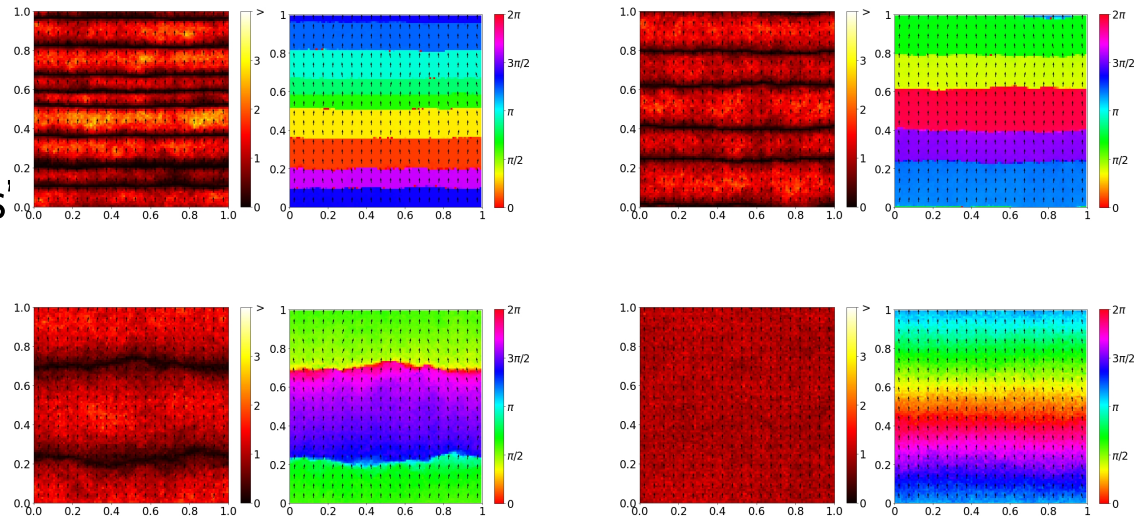
When noise \searrow doubly-periodic traveling wave **destabilizes**



same as before
but small noise

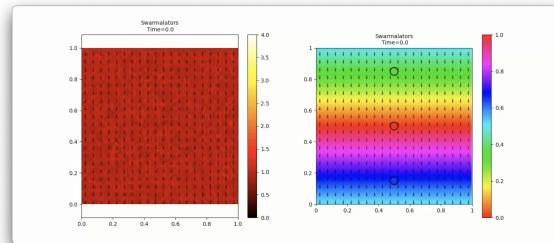
Emergence of **segregated constant-phase** regions
converge at large times to band-like structure

“Final states”
by \nearrow noise



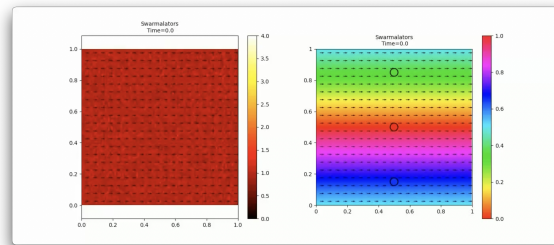
Doubly-periodic travelling wave, large noise case

Positively aligned: phase-force and self-propulsion velocity **equal**



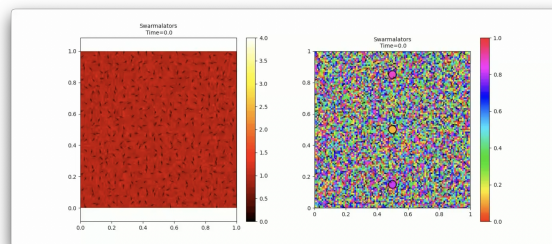
less stable

Orthogonal: phase-force and self-propulsion velocity **perpendicular**



unstable

Random initial condition, large noise case



complex patterns

No or very small noise: shock formation and **blow-up**

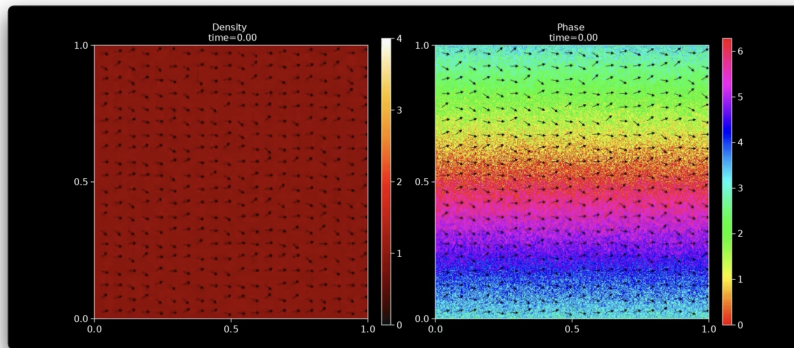
Small noise:

Anti-aligned: stable

Aligned: stable

Orthogonal: unstable

Consistent with **hyperbolicity theorem**



orthogonal, low noise

Larger noises: all stable

4. Conclusion & perspectives

New swarmalator model

no force reciprocity, second order, with noise in velocity and phase

Derivation of a macroscopic model

Hyperbolicity analysis, travelling-wave topological states

Numerical simulations

validation of macro model, stability of topological states

Perspectives (theory)

existence / uniqueness of solutions to kinetic / macro models
particle \rightarrow kinetic & kinetic \rightarrow macro convergence proofs
segregated solutions supported by macro model ?

Perspectives (modelling)

other geometrical configurations: strip and ring
diffusive corrections, higher-dimensional phase-vector space