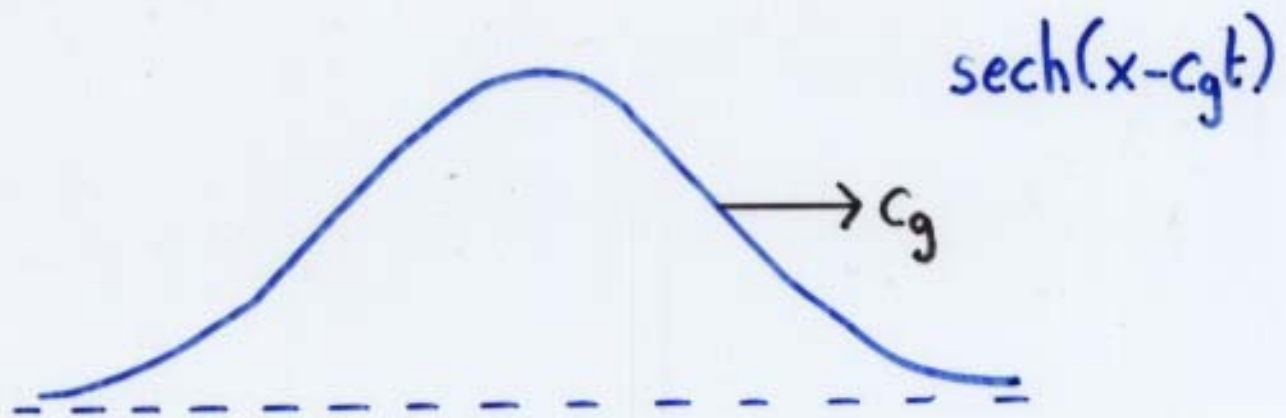


MODULATING PULSES

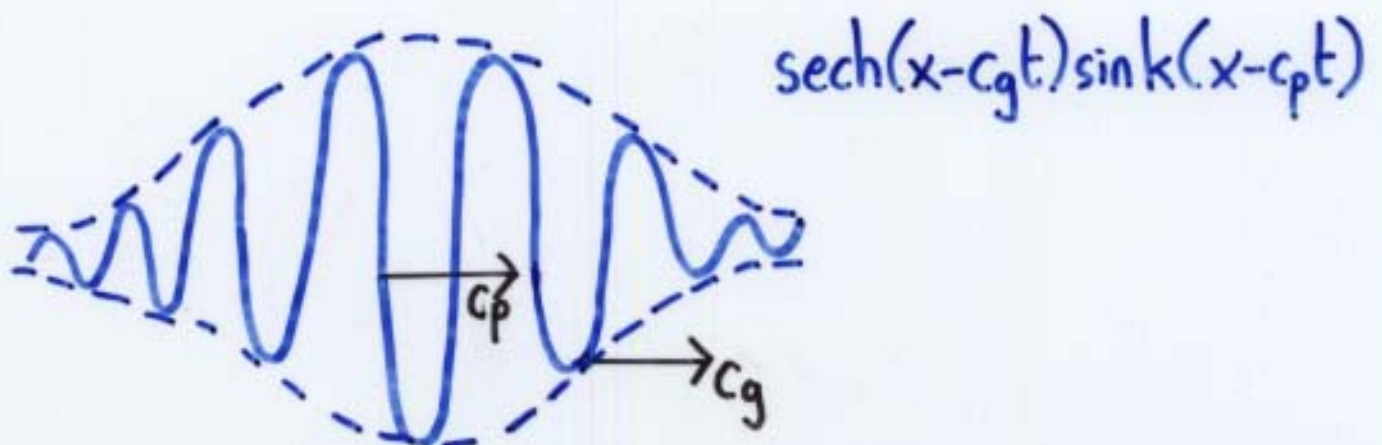
A pulse:



A wavetrain:



A modulating pulse:



SOLITARY WAVES

Modulating pulses with $c_p = c_g$ are called (generalised) solitary waves.



Iooss & Kirchgässner



Buffoni & Groves

WAVE EQUATIONS

$$u_{tt} = u_{xx} - u + \begin{cases} u^3 \\ -\sin u + u \\ \sinh u + u \end{cases}$$

Linear dispersion relation for $\sin k(x - c_p t)$:

$$c_p' = (1 + k^2)^{1/2} / k$$

$$c_g = \frac{d}{dk} (k c_p') = \frac{1}{c_p}$$

We look for modulating pulse solutions of the form

$$u(x, t) = v(x - c_g t, x - c_p t)$$

$$\text{"sech}(x - c_g t) \sin k(x - c_p t)\text{"}$$

where

- $v(\xi, p)$ is periodic in p
- $c_p = c_p' + \gamma_1 \epsilon^2, \quad 0 \leq \epsilon \ll 1$
- $c_g = \frac{1}{c_p}$

We find that

$$(1 - c_g^2) v_{\xi\xi} + (1 - c_p^2) v_{pp} - v + v^3 = 0$$

SPATIAL DYNAMICS

$$(1-c_g^2)v_{\xi\xi} + (1-c_p^2)v_{pp} - v + v^3 = 0$$

ξ is unbounded p is bounded

We formulate the equation as a system

$$v_{\xi} = w$$

$$w_{\xi} = -\frac{(1-c_p^2)v_{pp}}{(1-c_g^2)} + \frac{1}{(1-c_g^2)}(v-v^3)$$

This procedure yields a semilinear evolutionary equation with ξ as time:

$$u_{\xi} = Lu + N(u), \quad u = (v, w) \in X$$

Function spaces:

$$X = H_{\text{per}}^{s+1} \times H_{\text{per}}^s, \quad \mathcal{D}(L) = H_{\text{per}}^{s+2} \times H_{\text{per}}^{s+1}, \quad s \geq 0$$

Reversibility:

$$\xi \mapsto -\xi, \quad (v, w) \mapsto (v, -w)$$

Hamiltonian structure:

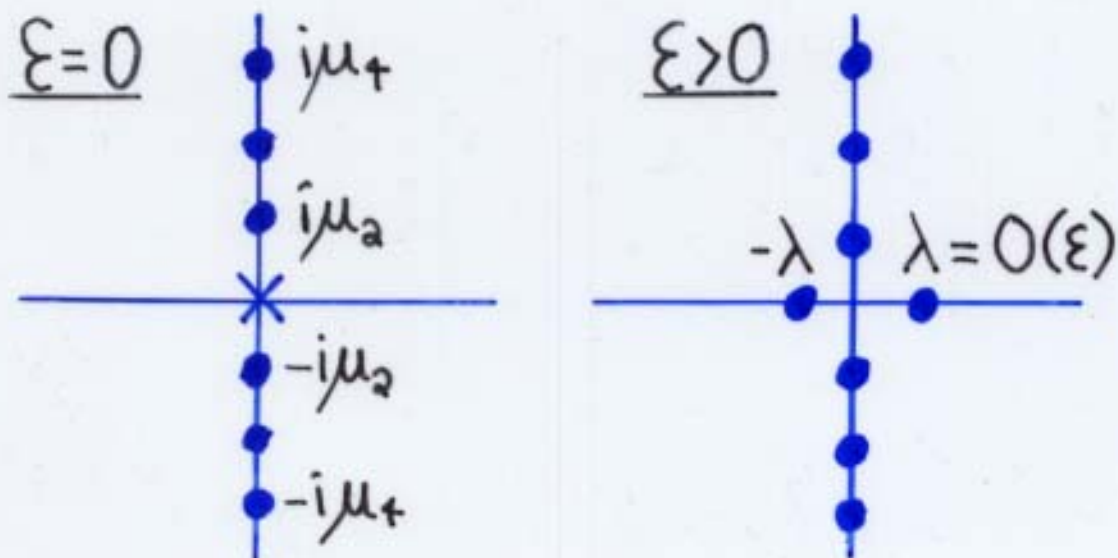
$$v_{\xi} = \frac{\delta H}{\delta w}, \quad w_{\xi} = -\frac{\delta H}{\delta v}$$

$$H = \int \left\{ \frac{w^2}{2} - \frac{(1-c_p^2)}{1-c_g^2} v_p^2 - \frac{v^2}{2(1-c_g^2)} + \frac{v^4}{4(1-c_g^2)} \right\} dp$$

FORMULATION AS A DYNAMICAL SYSTEM

$$u_\xi = Lu + N(u) \quad (*)$$

Spectrum of L :



Expand v, w in sine series:

$$v = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k}{\pi \mu_m} \right)^{1/2} q_m \sin(kmp), \quad w = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k \mu_m}{\pi} \right)^{1/2} p_m \sin(kmp)$$

We obtain a Hamiltonian system with infinitely many degrees of freedom.

$$\partial_\xi q_m = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_m}, \quad \partial_\xi p_m = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q_m}, \quad m=1, 2, \dots$$

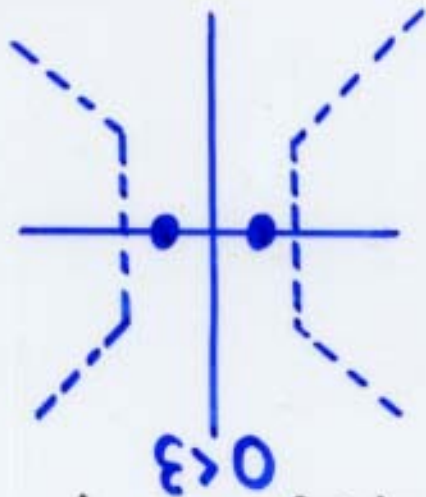
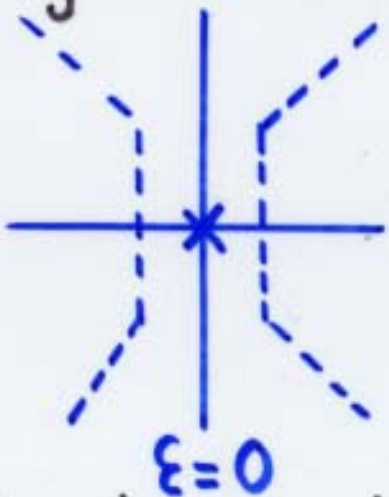
$$H = \frac{p_1^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} c_1 \xi^2 q_1^2 + \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{\mu_m}{2} (q_m^2 + p_m^2) + \dots$$

This is still the semilinear PDE (*) with

$$u = (q_m, p_m) \in X = (\mathcal{L}^{s+1/2})^2, \quad D(L) = (\mathcal{L}^{s+3/2})^2$$

OTHER SITUATIONS

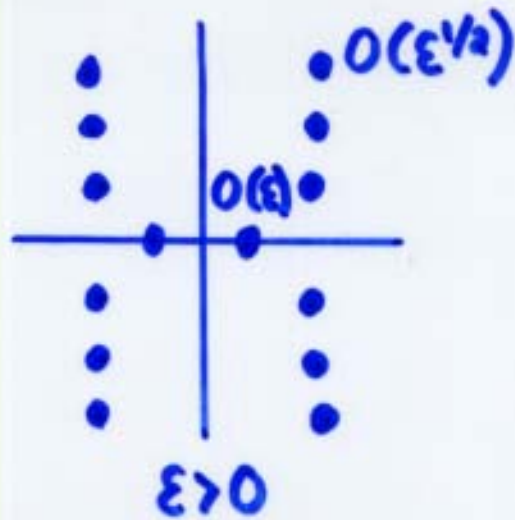
- Kirchgässner (water waves):



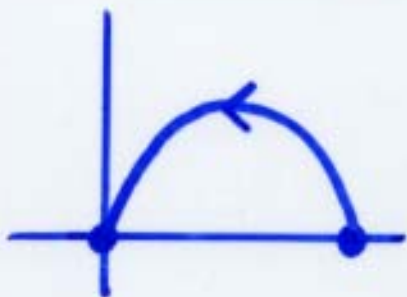
A two-dimensional invariant manifold:



- Haragus & Schneider (Taylor-Couette flow):

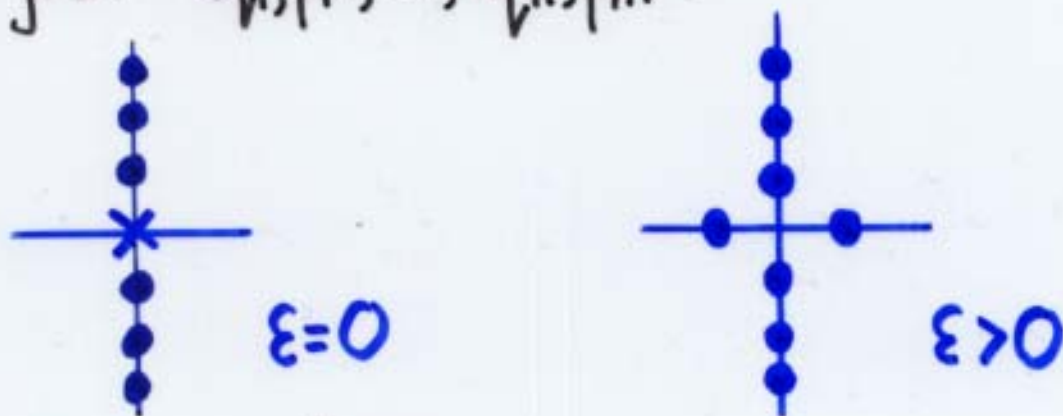


A two-dimensional invariant manifold:



A MODEL PROBLEM

Keep just $(q_1, p_1), \dots, (q_n, p_n)$:



Birkhoff normal form:

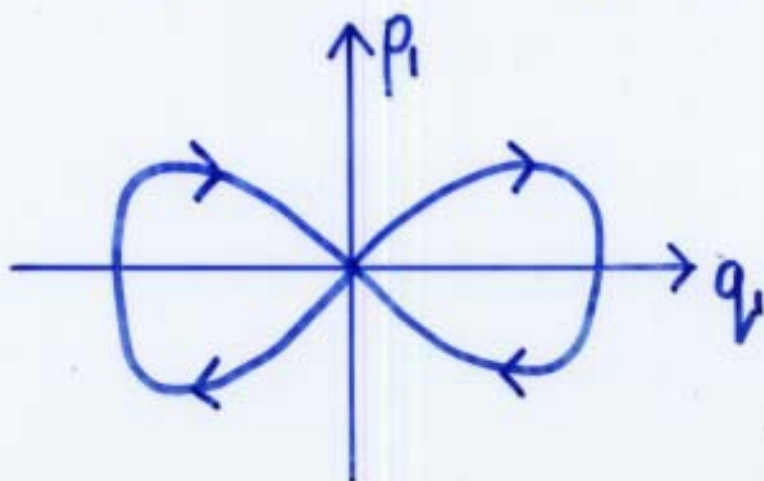
$$H = \frac{1}{2} p_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} C_1 \epsilon^2 q_1^2 + \sum_{m=2}^n \frac{\mu_m}{2} (q_m^2 + p_m^2) + H_{\text{BNF}}(q_1^2, q_2^2 + p_2^2, \dots, q_n^2 + p_n^2) + O(N+2)$$

Neglect the $O(N+2)$ remainder terms:

- $q_2^2 + p_2^2, \dots, q_m^2 + p_m^2$ are first integrals
- $S = \{(q_m, p_m) = (0, 0), m \geq 2\}$ is invariant

The flow in S is described by

$$\partial_\xi q_1 = p_1, \quad \partial_\xi p_1 = C_1 \epsilon^2 q_1 - 2q_1 \partial_{q_1} H_{\text{BNF}}(q_1^2, 0, \dots, 0)$$



- Generic nonpersistence upon reinstating remainder terms

NORMAL-FORM THEORY

We use a sequence of symplectic transformations to remove certain terms in the Hamiltonian:

$$\partial_{\xi} q_m = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_m}, \quad \partial_{\xi} p_m = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q_m}, \quad m=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} p_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} C_1 \varepsilon^2 q_1^2 + \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{\mu_m}{2} (q_m^2 + p_m^2) + H_{NF}^{\varepsilon}(q, p) + O(N+2)$$

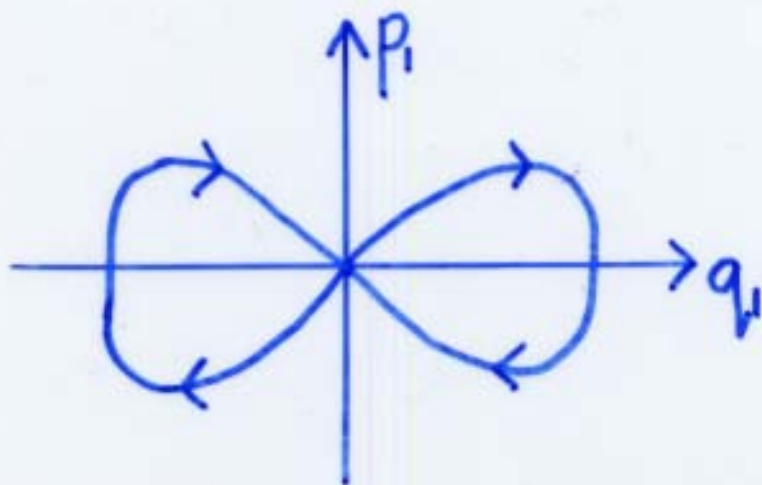
- We cannot remove all 'resonant terms'

Neglect the $O(N+2)$ remainder terms:

- $S = \{(q_1, p_1)\}$ is an invariant subspace
- $H_{NF}^{\varepsilon}|_S = F^{\varepsilon}(q_1^2)$

The flow in S is described by

$$\partial_{\xi} q_1 = p_1, \quad \partial_{\xi} p_1 = C_1 \varepsilon^2 q_1 - 2q_1 \partial F^{\varepsilon}(q_1^2)$$



- Generic nonpersistence upon reinstating remainder terms

HALF PULSES

The scaling

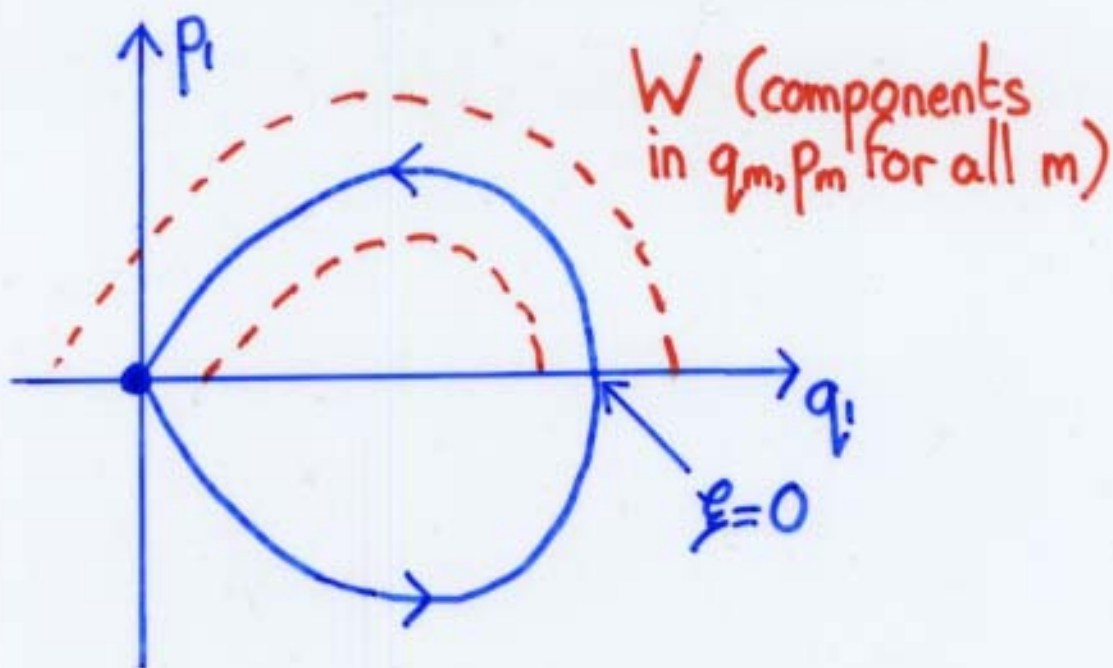
$$v = \varepsilon \hat{u}$$

transforms the equation to

$$v_{\xi} = \underbrace{N(v)}_{\text{part in normal form}} + \varepsilon^{n-1} \underbrace{R(v)}_{\text{remainder terms}}$$

The normal-form system has a homoclinic solution $h(\xi)$. For the full system we construct a tubular manifold of solutions around h :

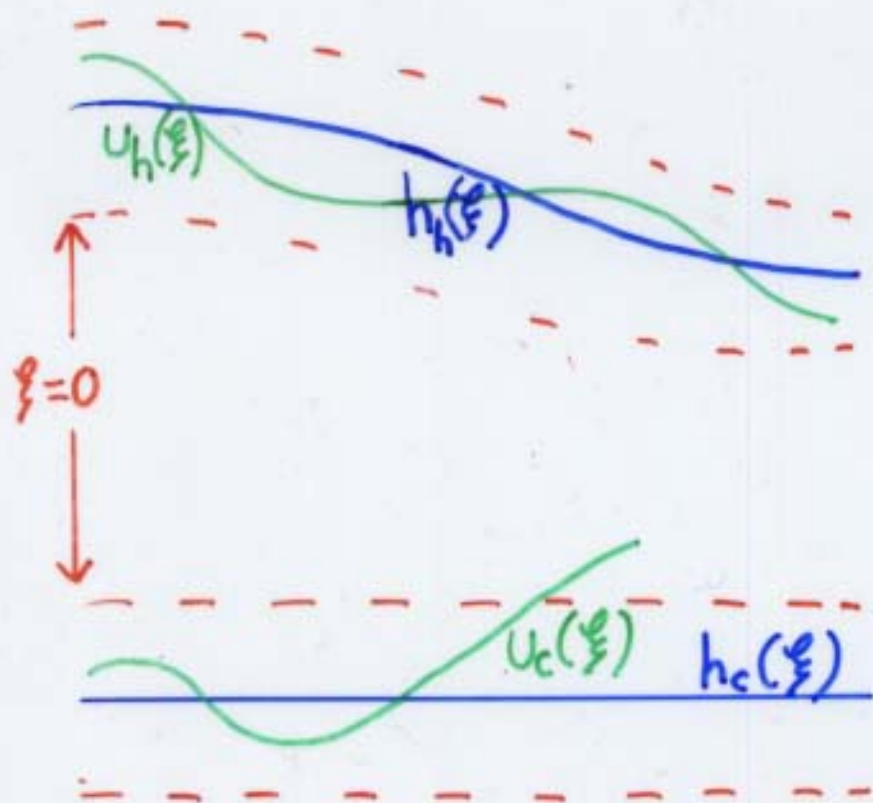
$$W = \left\{ v(\xi) : \begin{array}{l} v(\xi) \text{ solves } (*) \text{ on } [0, \infty) \\ |v(\xi) - h(\xi)| \leq \varepsilon^n \text{ on } [0, \infty) \end{array} \right\}$$



- Some of the half pulses making up W can be extended to symmetric pulses

A CENTRE-STABLE MANIFOLD

Consider solutions u on $[0, \infty)$ with the following properties:



The hyperbolic parts of u and h remain $O(\varepsilon^m)$ close for all $\xi \geq 0$

The centre parts of u and h remain $O(\varepsilon^m)$ close for some finite time ξ_0

Define

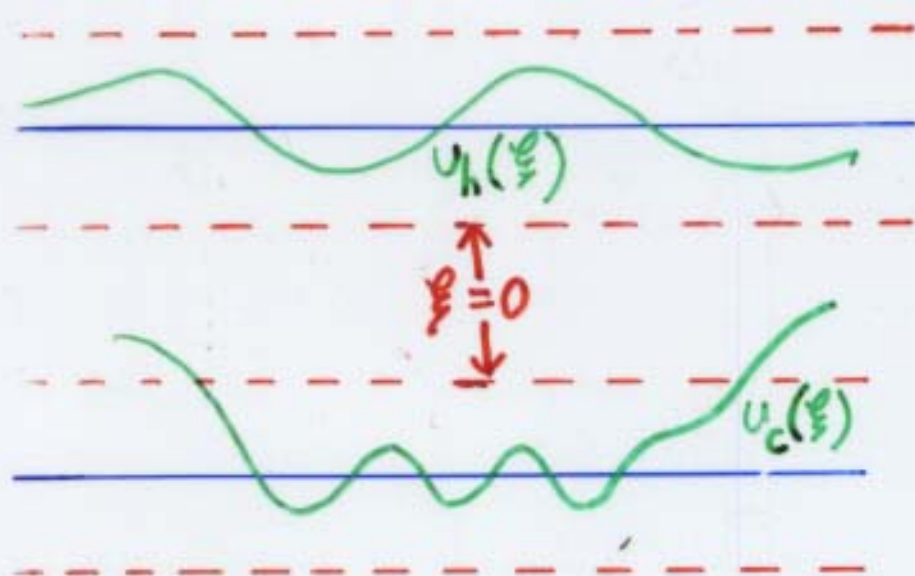
$$W^{cs} = \{u(0) \text{ for such solutions } u\}$$

- W^{cs} is parameterised by $u_s(0), u_c(0)$
- W^{cs} is given as a graph
$$u_v(0) = f(u_s(0), u_c(0))$$

Lemma: $\xi_0 = O(1/\varepsilon^{n+1})$

A CENTRE MANIFOLD

Consider solutions u on \mathbb{R} with the following properties:



The hyperbolic part of u remains $O(\varepsilon^n)$ for all $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$

The centre part of u remains $O(\varepsilon^n)$ for some finite negative and positive time

Define

$$W^c = \{u(0) \text{ for such solutions } u\}$$

- W^c is a graph $u_h(0) = \psi(u_c(0))$

Autonomy:

$$W^c = \{(\psi(x_c), x_c) : |x_c| \leq \varepsilon^n\}$$

- $H = \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{\mu_m}{2} (q_m^2 + p_m^2) + O(|x_h|^2) + O(\varepsilon|x|^2)$
 $\geq M|x_c|^2$ on W^c

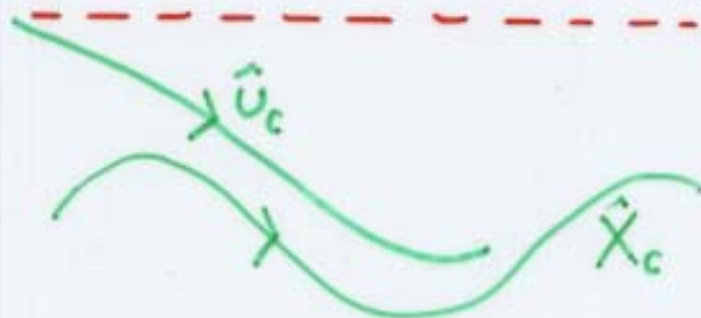
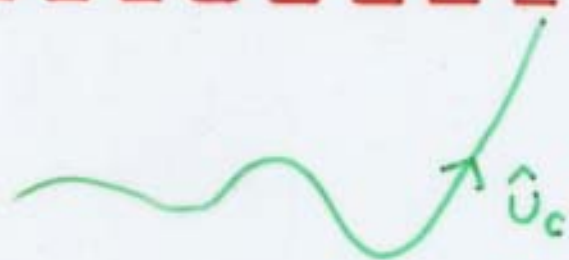
- $|x_c(\xi^*)| \leq M\varepsilon^n \Rightarrow |x_c(\xi)| \leq M\varepsilon^n, \xi \geq \xi^*$

A GLOBAL CENTRE-STABLE MANIFOLD

Let \hat{u} be a solution on $[0, \infty)$ with $\hat{u}(0) \in W^{cs}$

- There exists a solution \hat{X} on W^c such that

$$|\hat{u}(\xi) - \hat{X}(\xi)| \leq M_\varepsilon \exp(-\lambda\xi), \quad \xi \geq 0$$



- \hat{u}_c remains $O(\varepsilon^n)$ on $O(1/\varepsilon^{n+1})$ timescales

- \hat{u}_c converges exponentially to \hat{X}_c
- \hat{X}_c is $O(\varepsilon^n)$ for all ξ

Lemma

- $\hat{u}_c(\xi)$ is $O(\varepsilon^n)$ for all time
- $|\hat{u}(\xi) - \hat{X}(\xi)| = O(\varepsilon^n)$ for all time

SYMMETRIC PULSES

We exploit the reversibility

$$\xi \mapsto -\xi, \quad (q, p) \mapsto (q, -p)$$

We seek intersections of

W^{cs} — manifold of initial data for solutions u with $|u(\xi) - h(\xi)| \leq \varepsilon^n, \xi \gg 0$

Π — the symmetric section $\{p=0\}$

We write our equation as

$$\hat{u}_\xi = N(\hat{u}) + \varepsilon^{N-1} \rho R(\hat{u})$$

and consider

$$[\hat{u}_{cs}(0)]_{p=0} = 0$$

as

$$\exists (\underbrace{v_s, v_c}_{\text{stable/centre parts of } \hat{u}_{cs}}, \rho) = 0,$$

$$\exists (0, 0, 0) = 0$$

stable/centre
parts of \hat{u}_{cs}

Implicit function theorem:

$$v_s = v_s(v_c, \rho)$$