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**Temporal dynamics of small
perturbations for a two-dimensional
growing wake**

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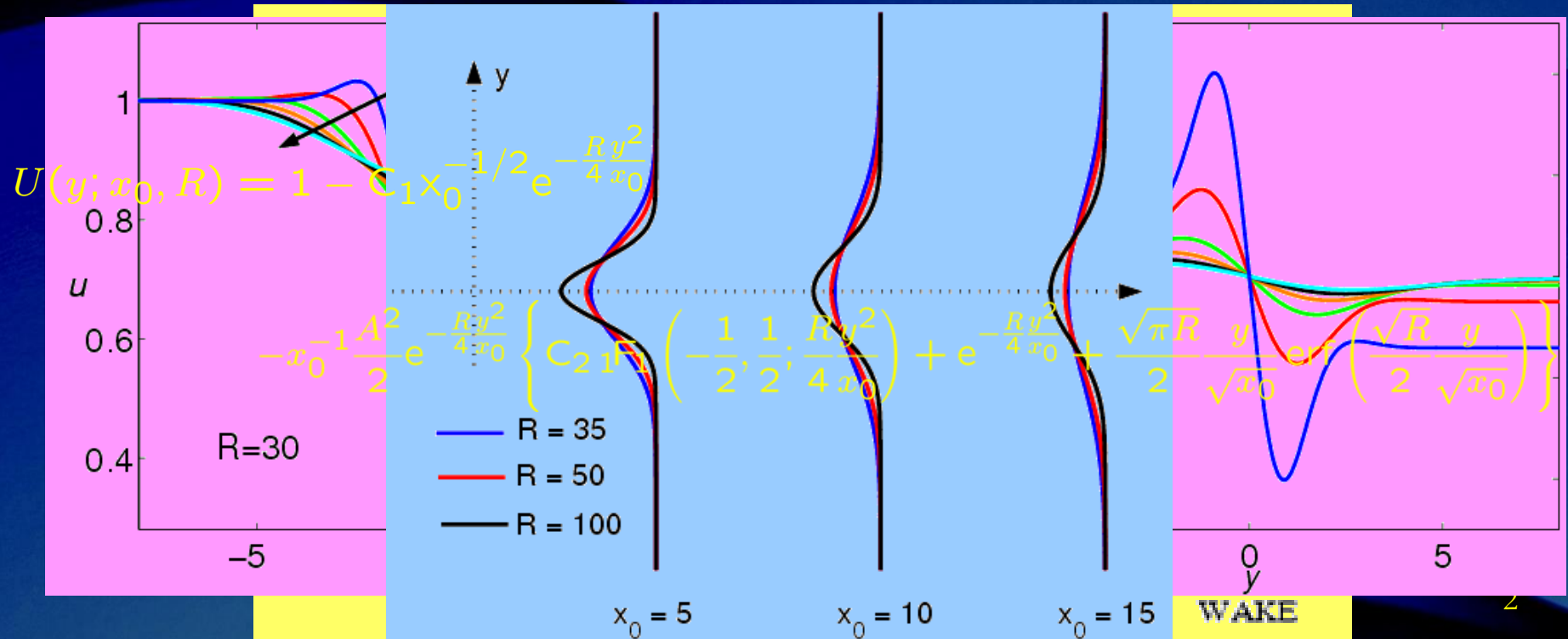
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Physical problem

- Flow behind a circular cylinder \rightarrow steady, incompressible and viscous;
- Approximation of 2D asymptotic Navier-Stokes expansions (Belan & Tordella, 2003) \rightarrow parametric in x



Formulation

- Linear, three-dimensional perturbative equations in terms of vorticity:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla^2 \tilde{v} = \tilde{\Gamma} \\ \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \tilde{\Gamma} - \frac{d^2 U}{dy^2} \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{R} \nabla^2 \tilde{\Gamma} \\ \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \tilde{\omega}_y + \frac{dU}{dy} \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{R} \nabla^2 \tilde{\omega}_y \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\omega}_y = \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial \tilde{w}}{\partial x} \\ \tilde{\Gamma} = \frac{\partial \tilde{\omega}_z}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\omega}_x}{\partial z} \end{array}$$

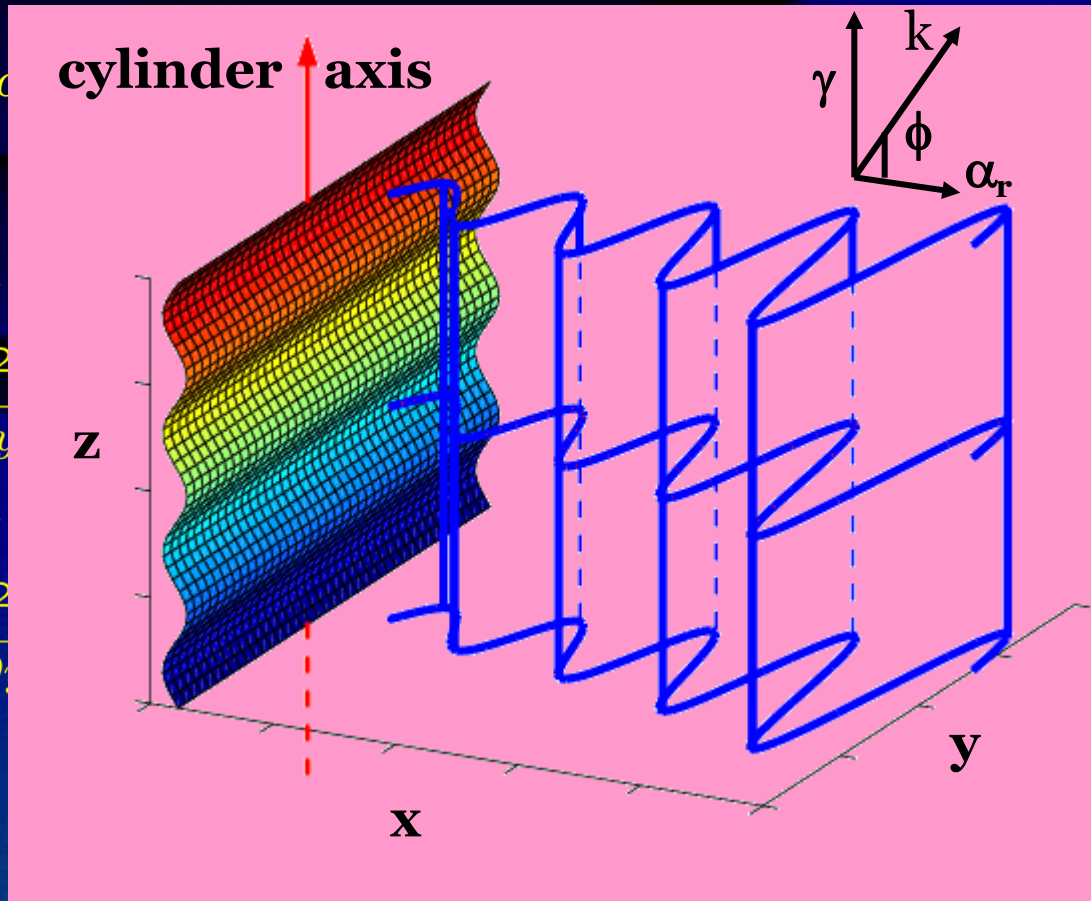
disturbance velocity $(\tilde{u}(t, x, y, z), \tilde{v}(t, x, y, z), \tilde{w}(t, x, y, z))$

disturbance vorticity $(\tilde{\omega}_x(t, x, y, z), \tilde{\omega}_y(t, x, y, z), \tilde{\omega}_z(t, x, y, z))$

- Moving coordinate transform $\xi = x - U_0 t$ (Criminale & Drazin, 1990), $U_0 = U_{y \rightarrow \infty}$

■ Fourier transform in ξ and z directions: $\hat{g}(y, t; \alpha, \gamma) = \int \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tilde{g} e^{i\alpha\xi + i\gamma z} d\xi dz$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial^2 \hat{v}}{\partial y^2} - (k^2 - \alpha_r^2 - \gamma^2) \hat{v} \\ \frac{\partial \hat{\Gamma}}{\partial t} = -[\alpha_i - \gamma] \hat{\Gamma} + \frac{1}{R} \left[\frac{\partial^2 \hat{v}}{\partial y^2} - (k^2 - \alpha_r^2 - \gamma^2) \hat{v} \right] \\ \frac{\partial \hat{\omega}_y}{\partial t} = -[\alpha_i - \gamma] \hat{\omega}_y + \frac{1}{R} \left[\frac{\partial^2 \hat{v}}{\partial y^2} - (k^2 - \alpha_r^2 - \gamma^2) \hat{v} \right] \end{array} \right.$$



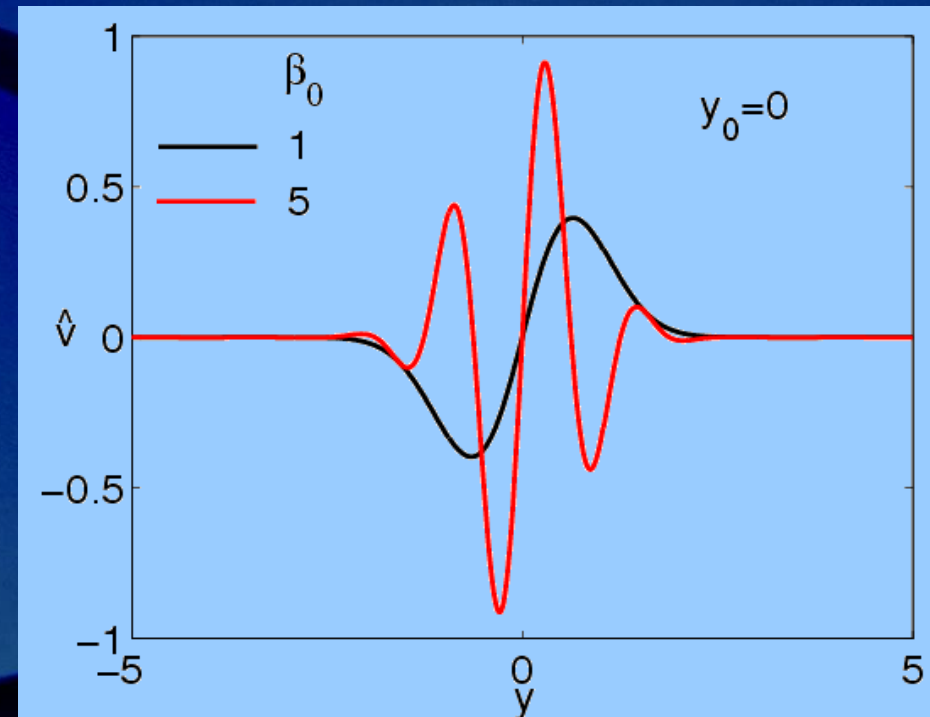
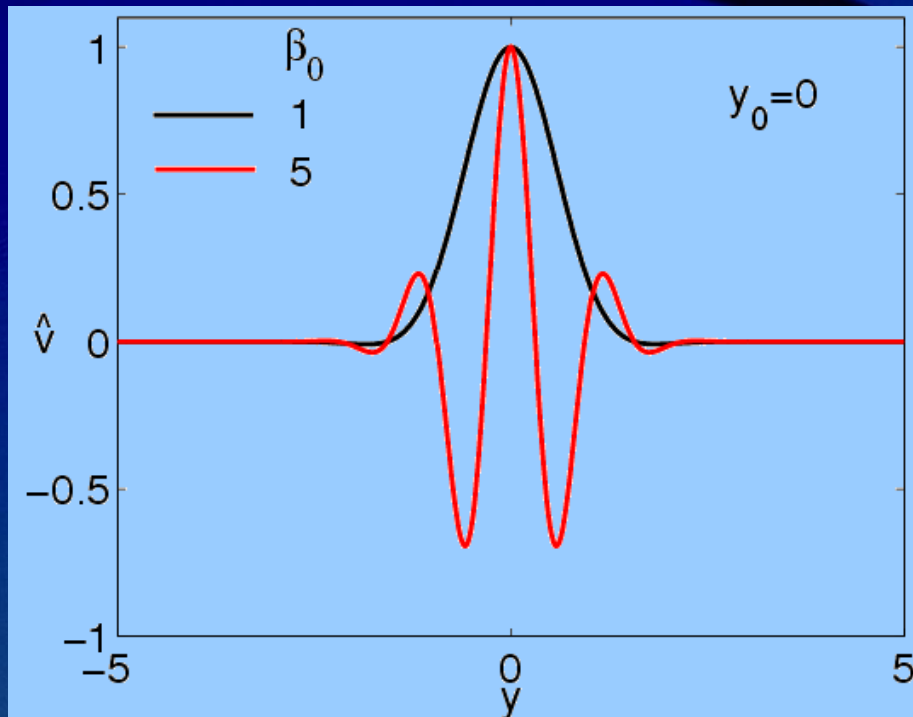
$\alpha_r = k \cos(\Phi)$ wavenumber in x -direction $\gamma = k \sin(\Phi)$ wavenumber in z -direction

$\Phi = \tan^{-1}(\gamma/\alpha_r)$ angle of obliquity $k = (\alpha_r^2 + \gamma^2)^{1/2}$ polar wavenumber

- Initial disturbances periodic and bounded in the free stream:

$$\hat{\omega}_y(y, t = 0) = 0 \begin{cases} \hat{v}(y, t = 0) = e^{-(y-y_0)^2} \sin(\beta_0(y - y_0)) & \text{asymmetric} \\ \text{or} \\ \hat{v}(y, t = 0) = e^{-(y-y_0)^2} \cos(\beta_0(y - y_0)) & \text{symmetric} \end{cases}$$

- Velocity field bounded in the free stream \rightarrow perturbation kinetic energy is finite.



Early transient and asymptotic behaviour

- Total kinetic energy E and kinetic energy density e of the perturbation

$$E(t) = \int_x \int_y \int_z \frac{1}{2} (\tilde{u}^2 + \tilde{v}^2 + \tilde{w}^2) dx dy dz$$

$$e(t; \alpha, \gamma) = k^2 E(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_y (|\frac{\partial \hat{v}}{\partial y}|^2 + k^2 |\hat{v}|^2 + |\hat{w}_y|^2) dy$$

- The growth function G

$$G(t; \alpha, \gamma) = \frac{e(t; \alpha, \gamma)}{e(t=0; \alpha, \gamma)}$$

measures the growth of the perturbation energy at time t .

- The temporal growth rate r (Lasseigne et al., 1999) is

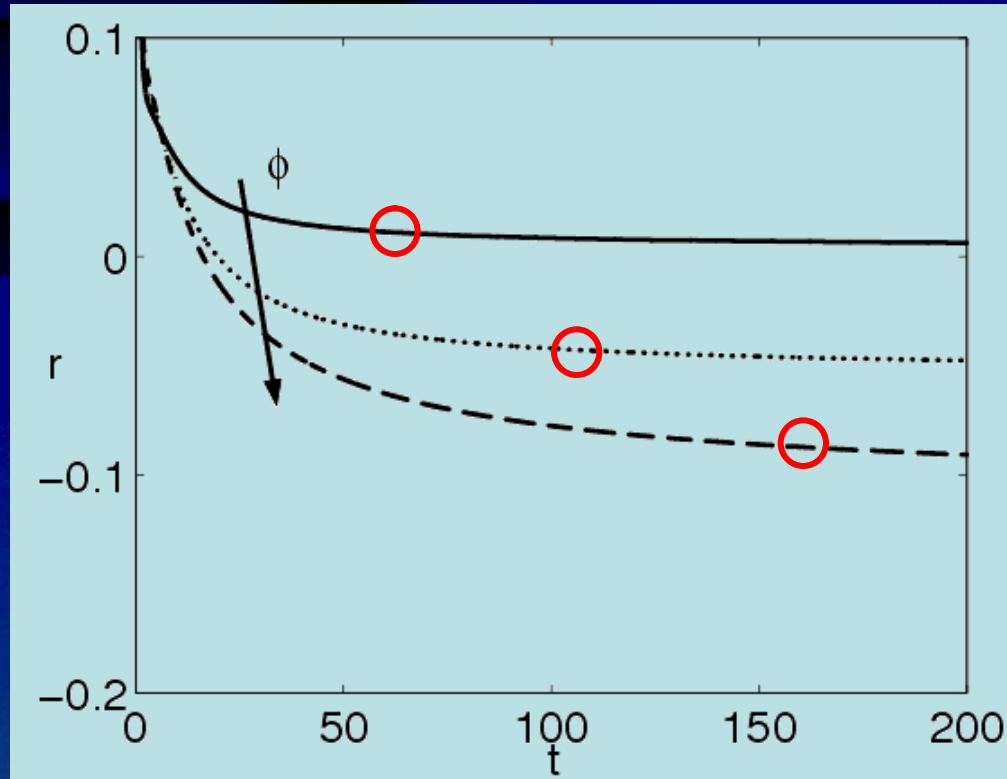
$$r(t; \alpha, \gamma) = \frac{\log|e(t; \alpha, \gamma)|}{2t}$$

- The angular frequency f (Whitham, 1974) is

$$f(t; \alpha, \gamma) = \frac{d\varphi(t; \alpha, \gamma)}{dt}$$

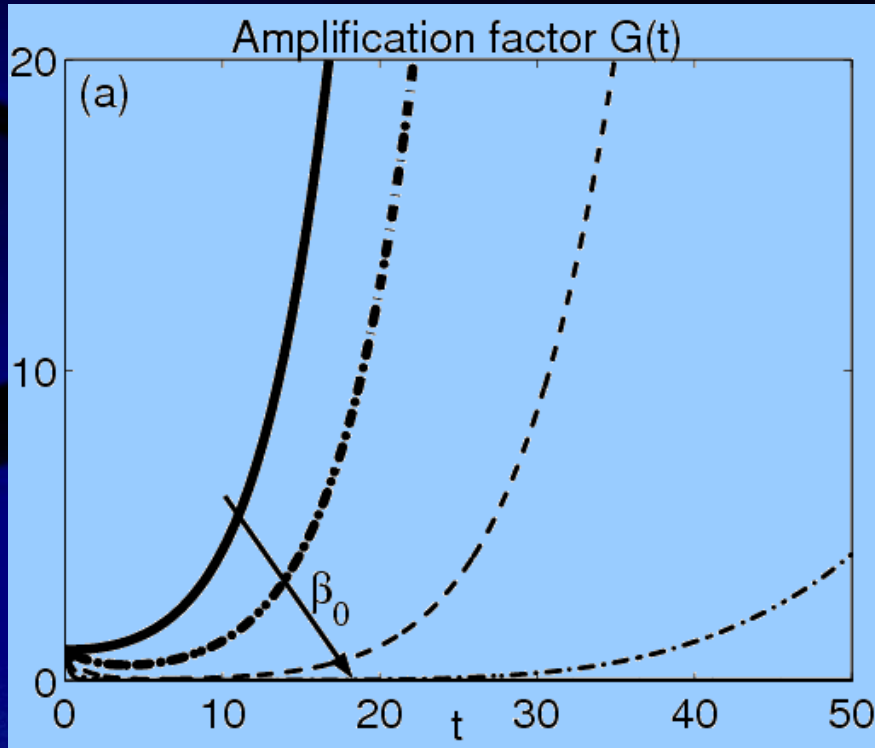
φ perturbation phase

- Asymptotic behaviour \rightarrow the temporal growth rate r asymptotes to a constant value ($dr/dt < \varepsilon \sim 10^{-4}$).



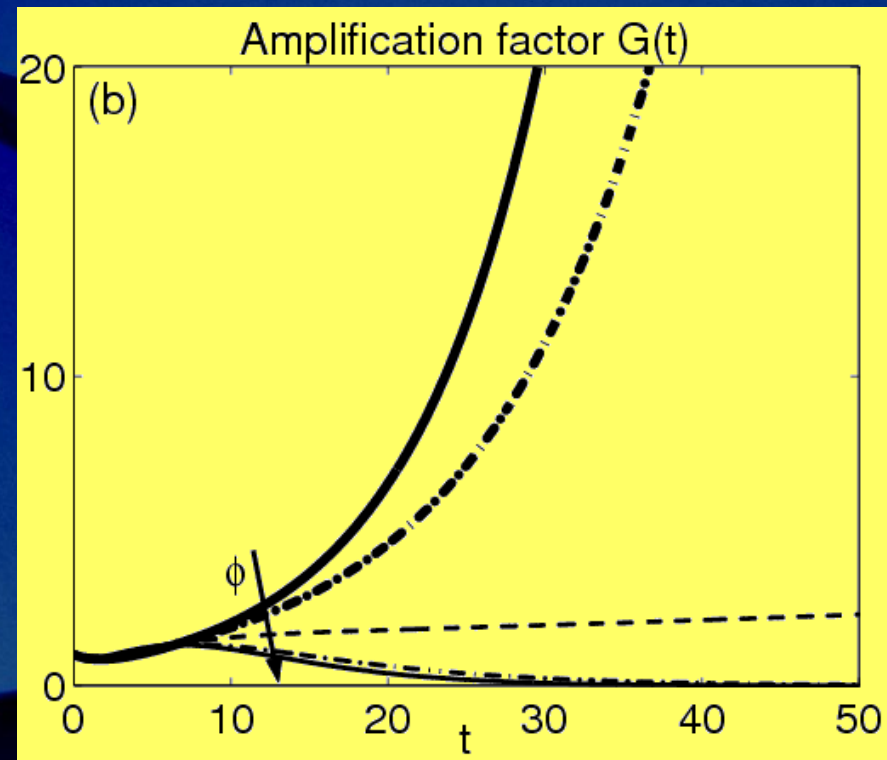
\rightarrow Comparison with normal mode theory

Results

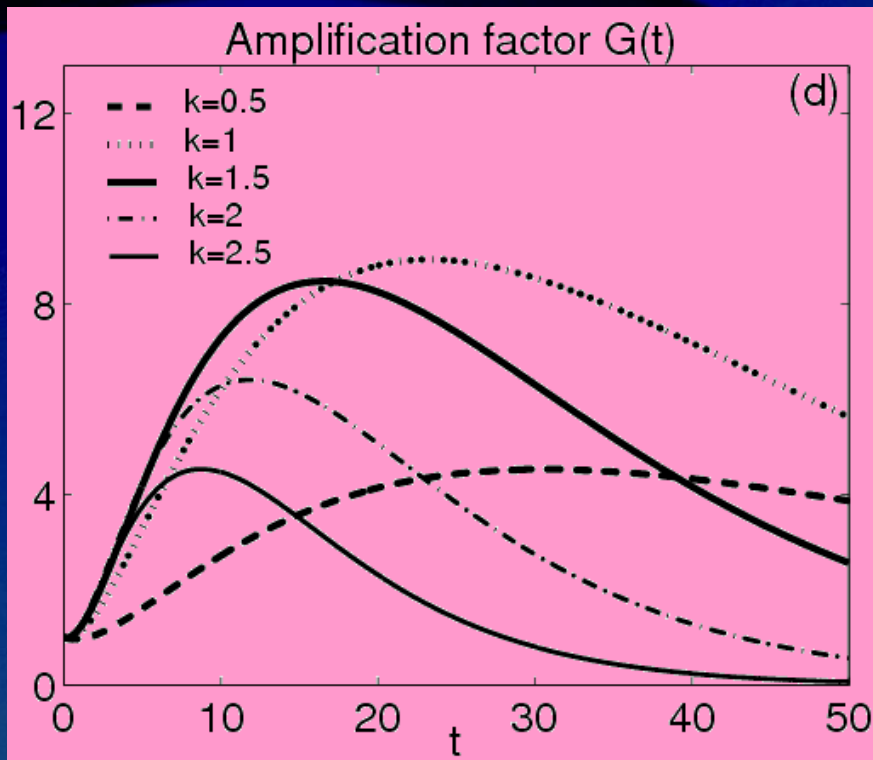
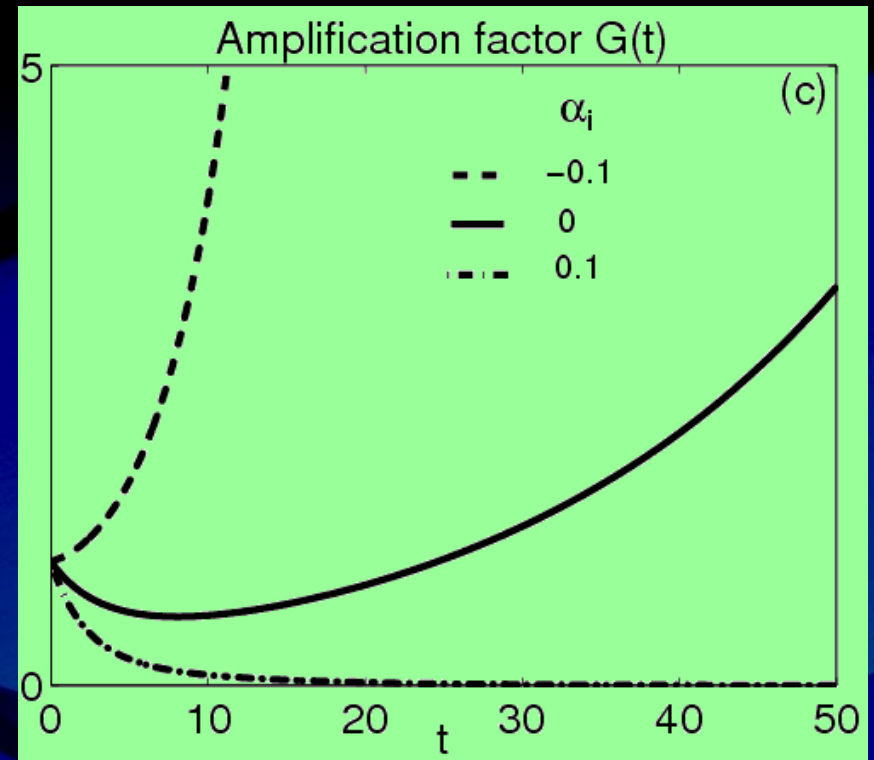


(a): $R=50$, $y_0=0$, $k=0.9$, $\alpha_1=-0.15$, $\Phi=0$, $x_0=14$, asymmetric initial condition, $\beta_0=1, 3, 5, 7$.

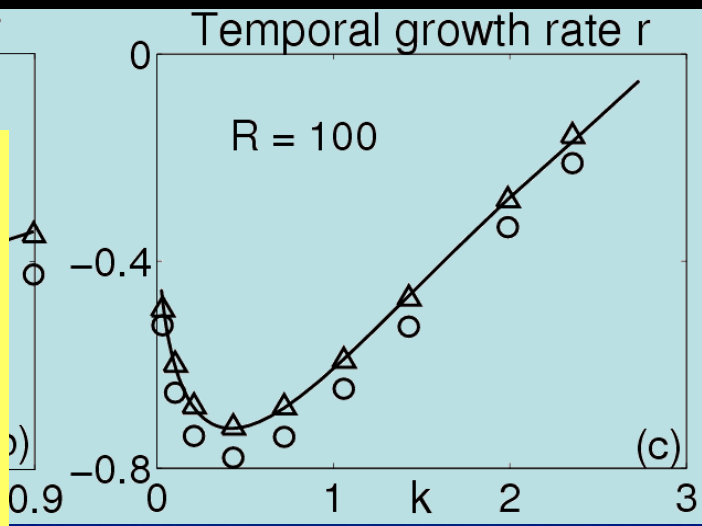
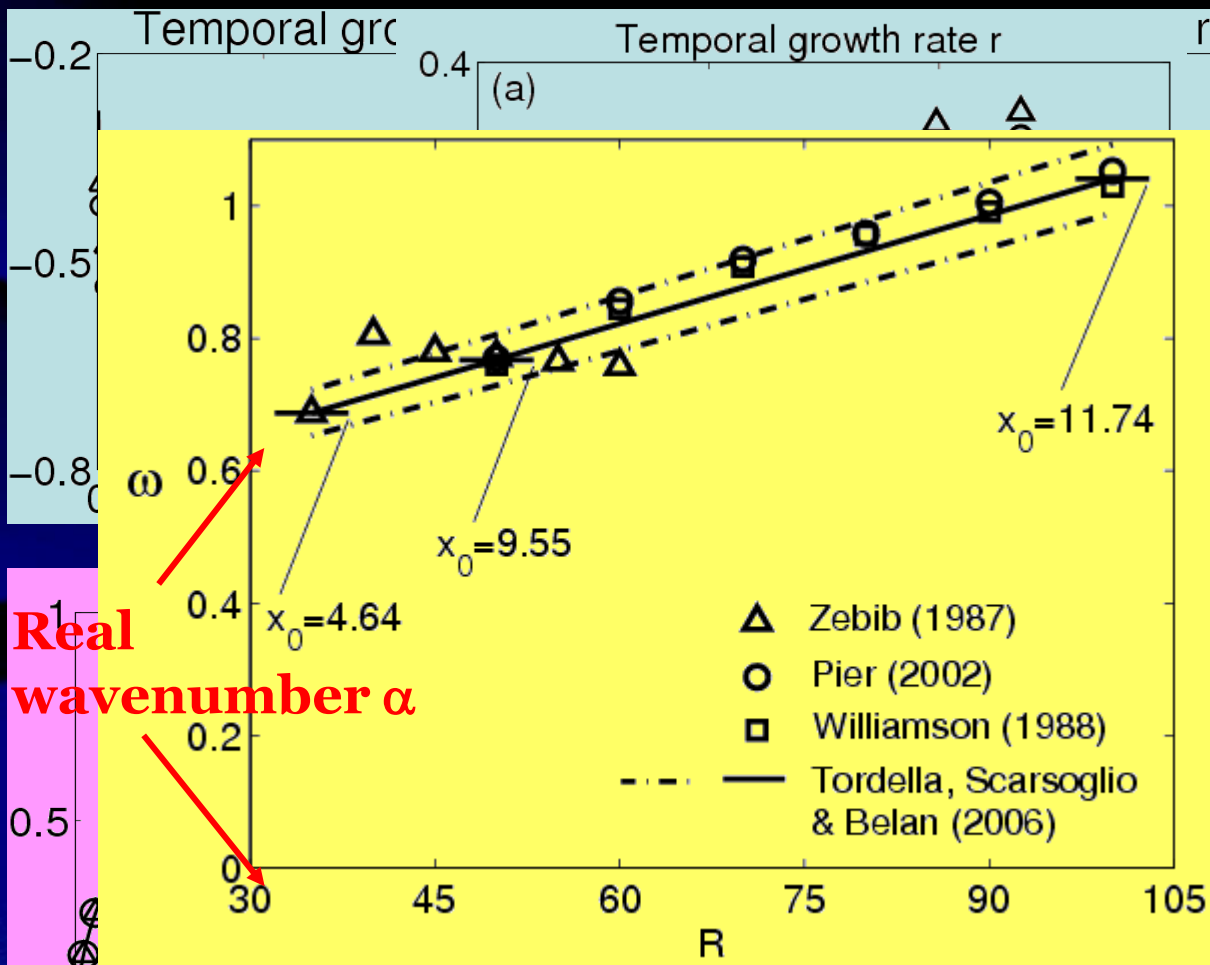
(b): $R=100$, $y_0=0$, $k=1.2$, $\alpha_1=0.1$, $\beta_0=1$, $x_0=10.15$, symmetric initial condition, $\Phi=0, \pi/8, \pi/4, (3/8)\pi, \pi/2$.



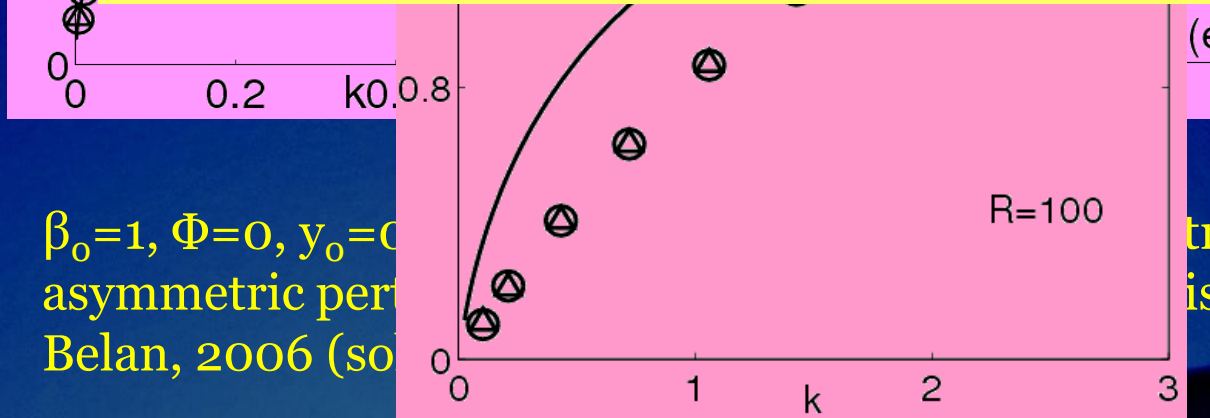
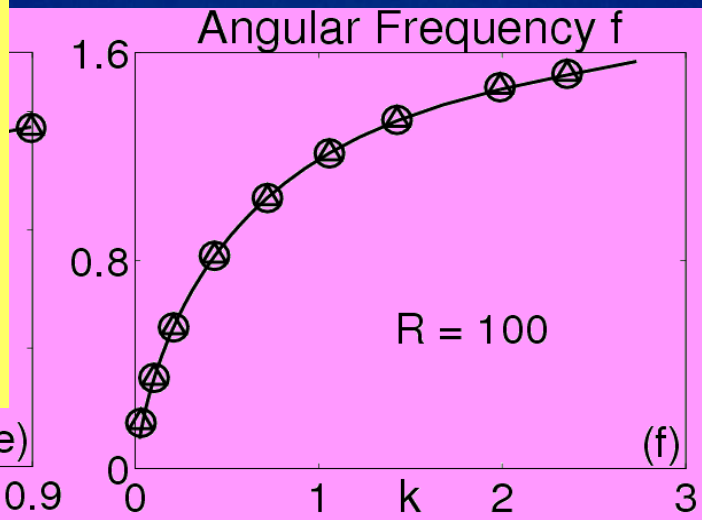
(c): $R=50$, $y_o=0$, $k=0.3$, $\beta_o=1$,
 $\Phi=0$, $x_o=5.20$, symmetric
 initial condition,
 $\alpha_i = -0.1, 0, 0.1$.



(d): $R=100$, $y_o=0$, $\alpha_i=0.01$,
 $\beta_o=1$, $\Phi=\pi/2$, $x_o=7.40$,
 symmetric initial condition,
 $k=0.5, 1, 1.5, 2, 2.5$.



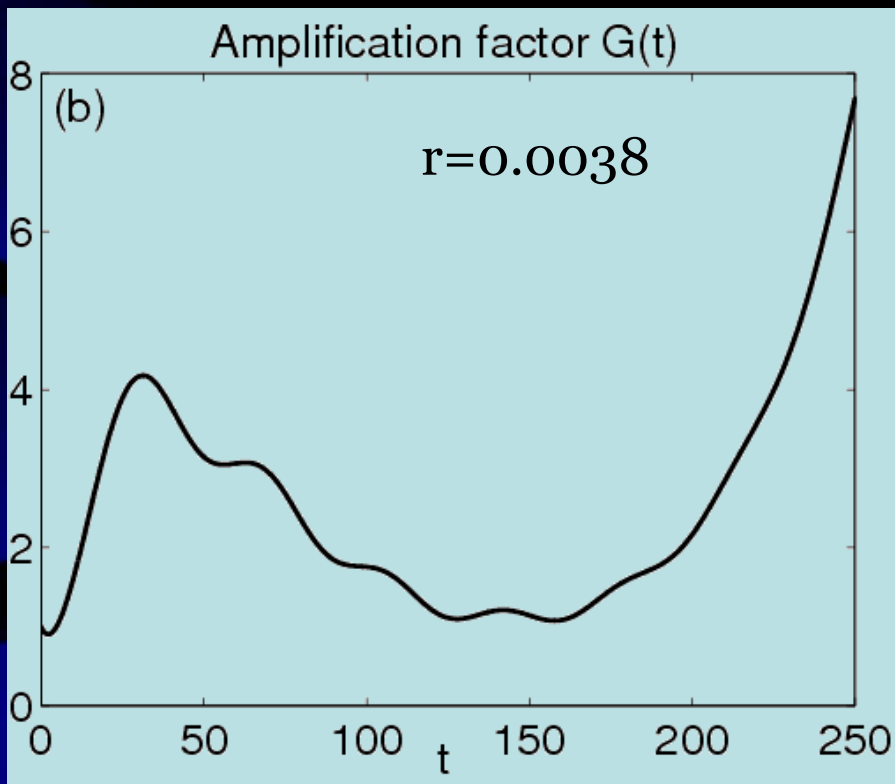
Real wavenumber α



Complex wavenumber α

Electric perturbation, circles: as in Pier (2002) (so as to compare with Tordella, Scarsoglio and Belan, 2006)

$\beta_0 = 1, \Phi = 0, y_0 = 0$
 asymmetric perturbation
 Belan, 2006 (so as to compare with Tordella, Scarsoglio and Belan, 2006)



(a): $R=100$, $y_o=0$, $x_o=9$, $k=1.7$,
 $\alpha_i=0.05$, $\beta_o=1$, symmetric
 initial condition, $\Phi=\pi/8$.

(b): $R=100$, $y_o=0$, $x_o=11$, $k=0.6$,
 $\alpha_i=-0.02$, $\beta_o=1$, asymmetric initial
 condition, $\Phi=\pi/4$.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{u}(x, y, z, t; \alpha, \gamma) \\ \bar{v}(x, y, z, t; \alpha, \gamma) \\ \bar{w}(x, y, z, t; \alpha, \gamma) \end{array} \right.$$

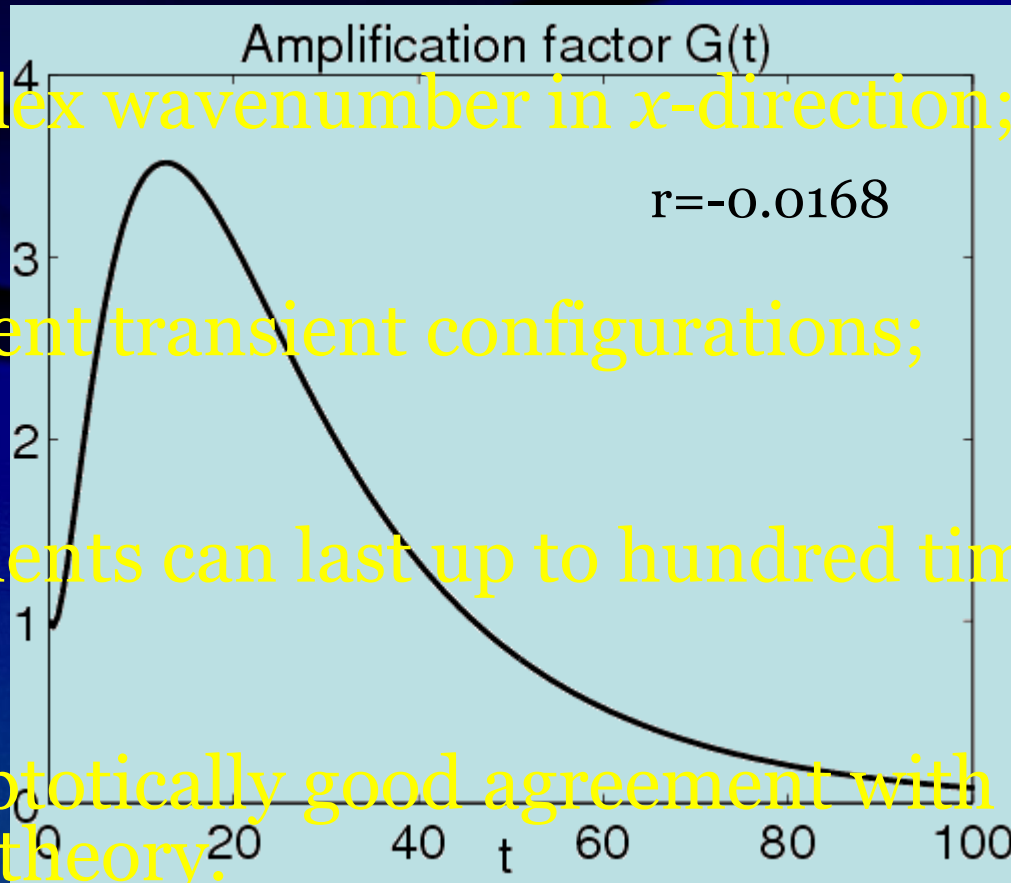
$$\hat{u} = \frac{\alpha D \hat{v} - \gamma \hat{\omega}_y}{i(\alpha^2 + \gamma^2)} \quad \hat{w} = \frac{\gamma D \hat{v} + \alpha \hat{\omega}_y}{i(\alpha^2 + \gamma^2)}$$

where $\bar{g}(x, y, z, t; \alpha, \gamma) = \frac{1}{2}(\hat{g}e^{-i\alpha x - i\gamma z} + \hat{g}^*e^{i\alpha^*x + i\gamma^*z})$

and $\tilde{g}(x, y, z, t) = \int_{\alpha} \int_{\gamma} \bar{g}(x, y, z, t; \alpha, \gamma) d\alpha d\gamma$.

Conclusions

- Complex wavenumber in x -direction;
- Different transient configurations;
- Transients can last up to hundred time scales;
- Asymptotically good agreement with normal mode theory.



$R=100, y_0=0, x_0=9, k=1.7, \alpha_i=0.05, \beta_0=1,$
symmetric initial condition, $\Phi=(3/8)\pi.$